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The Elections Committee recommends the following 2026 General Elections calendar. A candidate for TALB officer or director, may give a speech, limited to two (2) minutes at the February 24, 2026, Representative Council meeting. A CTA State Council candidate may give a speech, limited to one (1) minute, at the February 24, 2026, Representative Council Meeting. There are no speeches for the NEA-RA Election.

Candidates for Executive Officers, Area directors and CTA State Council Representatives must be elected by a majority of votes. If no candidate receives the majority of votes cast, a run-off will be held between the candidates who receive the most votes. NEA – RA Representatives are elected by a plurality of votes.

Majority – “More than half.”

Majority Vote – More than half of the votes cast by a person legally entitled to vote, excluding blank or illegal ballots. For example:

- If 19 votes are cast, a majority (more than 9 ½) is 10.
- If 20 votes are cast, a majority (more than 10) is 11.
- If 21 votes are cast, a majority (more than 10 ½) is 11.

Plurality Vote – The greatest number of votes cast by persons legally entitled to vote, excluding blank or illegal ballots.

Run-off Election – A run-off election is conducted when no candidate achieves the required majority vote. A run-off election is conducted among the candidates receiving the highest number of votes. The names on the run-off ballot will be one more than the number of vacancies to be filled. There shall be no provisions for write-in candidates on a run-off ballot. A majority vote is required to win a run-off election.

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| Eligible Candidates | Candidacy forms sent to Representatives and are available online. | 1/27/2026 | |
| All Elections | Candidacy Declaration Forms Deadline. | 2/6/2026 | Due on Friday, February 6, 2026 by 4:30 p.m. |
| Candidates | Confirmation letters sent to all candidates. | 1/27/2026 – 2/9/2026 | Ingrid Perez |
| Candidates | Speeches at Representative Council. | 2/24/2026 | |

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| All Elections | Electronic Voting & written ballots available at TALB. | 2/25/2026 3/6/2026 | Ballots due at the TALB office by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, March 6, 2026 |
| All Elections | Ballots will be counted and candidates notified by telephone. | 3/6/2026 | Friday, March 6, 2026 |
| All Elections | Results will be sent to the membership. | 3/9/2026 | Monday, March 9, 2026 |
| All Elections | Last day to request a recount of ballots. | 3/11/2026 | 3 school days per SR 10.6 |
| All Elections | Last day to conduct recount if requested. | 3/13/2026 | 5 school days per SR 10.6 |
| All Elections | Last day to challenge results of the election. | 3/16/2026 | 10 calendar days. |

Run-off Schedule (If Necessary)

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| Candidates | Announce Run-off election if necessary. | 3/9/2026 | |
| Candidates | Run-off election begins. | 3/11/2026 | |
| Candidates | Run-off voting. | 3/11/2026 3/20/2026 | Ballots due at the TALB office by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, March 20, 2026 |
| Officers, Executive Board & CTA State Council Representatives | Run-off ballots counted and run-off candidates notified by phone. | 3/20/2026 | |
| Officers, Executive Board & CTA State Council Representatives | Run-off results sent to the membership. | 3/23/2026 | |
| Officers, Executive Board & CTA State Council Representatives | Last day to request a recount of ballots. | 3/25/2026 | 3 school days per SR 10.6 |
| Officers, Executive Board & CTA State Council Representatives | Last day to conduct recount if requested. | 3/27/2026 | 5 school days per SR 10.6 |
| Officers, Executive Board & CTA State Council Representatives | Last day to challenge results of the election. | 3/30/2026 | 10 calendar days. |

Thank you for participating in this election.