




Official Ballot for 2024 General Election
Montezuma County, Colorado
Tuesday, November 5, 2024

Precinct: 3065942002
Ballot Type: 6
Ballot Style: 002-06

Ann Russell
Clerk and Recorder


To vote for a named candidate, or for or against a ballot measure, completely fill in the oval to the right of your choice. Use blue or black ink.


If a race includes a write-in line, you may vote for a write-in candidate by completely filling in the oval to the right of the line and printing at least the last name of an eligible write-in candidate on the line.


To make a correction, draw a bold line through the oval and candidate name or ballot measure selection marked by mistake, then fill in the oval next to the correct name. If you voted for the only candidate in a race and want to withdraw that vote, you must request a replacement ballot.

WARNING: Any person who, by use of force or other means, unduly influences an eligible elector to vote in any particular manner or to refrain from voting, or who falsely makes, alters, forges, or counterfeits any mail ballot before or after it has been cast, or who destroys, defaces, mutilates, or tampers with a ballot is subject, upon conviction, to imprisonment, or to a fine, or both. Section 1-7.5-107(3)(b), C.R.S.

Federal Offices	State Offices	Judicial Retention Questions
Presidential Electors (Vote for One Pair)	Regent of the University of Colorado - Congressional District 3 (Vote for One)	(Vote YES or NO)
Democratic Kamala D. Harris / Tim Walz <input type="radio"/>	Republican Ray Scott <input type="radio"/>	Colorado Court of Appeals Judge
Republican Donald J. Trump / JD Vance <input type="radio"/>	Democratic Robert B. Logan <input type="radio"/>	Shall Judge W. Eric Kuhn of the Colorado Court of Appeals be retained in office? YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>
Approval Voting Blake Huber / Andrea Denaut <input type="radio"/>	State Senator - District 6 (Vote for One)	Shall Judge Gilbert M. Román of the Colorado Court of Appeals be retained in office? YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>
Libertarian Chase Russell Oliver / Mike ter Maat <input type="radio"/>	Democratic Vivian Smotherman <input type="radio"/>	Shall Judge Timothy J. Schutz of the Colorado Court of Appeals be retained in office? YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>
Green Jill Stein / Rudolph Ware <input type="radio"/>	Republican Cleave Alan Simpson <input type="radio"/>	District Court Judge - 22nd Judicial District
American Constitution Randall Terry / Stephen E Broden <input type="radio"/>	State Representative - District 59 (Vote for One)	Shall Judge Todd Jay Flewe of the 22nd Judicial District be retained in office? YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>
Unity Cornel West / Melina Abdullah <input type="radio"/>	Democratic Katie Stewart <input type="radio"/>	Ballot Measures
Unaffiliated Robert F. Kennedy Jr. / Nicole Shanahan <input type="radio"/>	Republican Clark Craig <input type="radio"/>	Ballot questions referred by the general assembly or any political subdivision are listed by letter, and ballot questions initiated by the people are listed numerically. A ballot question listed as an "amendment" proposes a change to the Colorado constitution, and a ballot question listed as a "proposition" proposes a change to the Colorado Revised Statutes. A "yes/for" vote on any ballot question is a vote in favor of changing current law or existing circumstances, and a "no/against" vote on any ballot question is a vote against changing current law or existing circumstances.
Write-In: <input type="radio"/>	County Offices	State Ballot Measures
Representative to the 119th United States Congress - District 3 (Vote for One)	Montezuma County Commissioner - District 2 (Vote for One)	Amendment G (CONSTITUTIONAL)
Democratic Adam Frisch <input type="radio"/>	Republican J. Kent Lindsay <input type="radio"/>	Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning the expansion of eligibility for the property tax exemption for veterans with a disability to include a veteran who does not have a service-connected disability rated as a one hundred percent permanent disability but does have individual unemployment status? YES/FOR <input type="radio"/> NO/AGAINST <input type="radio"/>
Republican Jeff Hurd <input type="radio"/>	Montezuma County Commissioner - District 3 (Vote for One)	Amendment H (CONSTITUTIONAL)
Libertarian James Wiley <input type="radio"/>	Republican Gerald W. Koppenhafer <input type="radio"/>	Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning judicial discipline, and, in connection therewith, establishing an independent judicial discipline adjudicative board, setting standards for judicial review of a discipline case, and clarifying when discipline proceedings become public? YES/FOR <input type="radio"/> NO/AGAINST <input type="radio"/>
Unity Adam Withrow <input type="radio"/>	Judicial Retention Questions (Vote YES or NO)	Amendment I (CONSTITUTIONAL)
State Offices	Colorado Supreme Court Justice	Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning creating an exception to the right to bail for cases of murder in the first degree when proof is evident or presumption is great? YES/FOR <input type="radio"/> NO/AGAINST <input type="radio"/>
State Board of Education Member - Congressional District 3 (Vote for One)	Shall Justice Brian D. Boatright of the Colorado Supreme Court be retained in office? YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>	Amendment J (CONSTITUTIONAL)
Republican Sherri M Wright <input type="radio"/>	Shall Justice Monica M. Márquez of the Colorado Supreme Court be retained in office? YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>	Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution removing the ban on same-sex marriage? YES/FOR <input type="radio"/> NO/AGAINST <input type="radio"/>
Democratic Ellen Angeles <input type="radio"/>	Colorado Court of Appeals Judge	
Regent of the University of Colorado - At Large (Vote for One)	Shall Judge Stephanie Dunn of the Colorado Court of Appeals be retained in office? YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>	
Republican Eric Rinard <input type="radio"/>	Shall Judge Jerry N. Jones of the Colorado Court of Appeals be retained in office? YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>	
Democratic Elliott Hood <input type="radio"/>		
Approval Voting Thomas Reasoner <input type="radio"/>		
Unity T.J. Cole <input type="radio"/>		

State Ballot Measures	State Ballot Measures	School District Ballot Measures
Amendment K (CONSTITUTIONAL) Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning the modification of certain deadlines in connection with specified elections? YES/FOR <input type="radio"/> NO/AGAINST <input type="radio"/>	Proposition 129 (STATUTORY) Shall there be a change to the Colorado Revised Statutes creating a new veterinary professional associate profession, and, in connection therewith, establishing qualifications including a master's degree in veterinary clinical care or the equivalent as determined by the state board of veterinary medicine to be a veterinary professional associate, requiring registration with the state board; allowing a registered veterinary professional associate to practice veterinary medicine under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian; and making it a misdemeanor to practice as a veterinary professional associate without an active registration? YES/FOR <input type="radio"/> NO/AGAINST <input type="radio"/>	Montezuma-Cortez RE-1 Ballot Issue 4-B SHALL MONTEZUMA-CORTEZ SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1 TAXES BE INCREASED \$2.1 MILLION FOR COLLECTION IN 2025 AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY WHATEVER AMOUNTS ARE RAISED FROM AN OVERRIDE MILL LEVY IMPOSED AT AND NOT TO EXCEED A RATE OF THREE AND NINE-TENTHS (3.9) MILLS FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPROVING STUDENT OUTCOMES BY INCREASING THE SALARIES OF TEACHERS AND TEACHERS' AIDES (PARAPROFESSIONALS) INCLUDING: -ATTRACTING QUALIFIED TEACHERS AND PARAPROFESSIONAL STAFF BY RAISING BASE SALARIES CLOSER TO THE MARKET AVERAGES FOR SURROUNDING SCHOOL DISTRICTS; -REDUCING TURNOVER AND RETAINING QUALIFIED TEACHERS AND PARAPROFESSIONAL STAFF BY FUNDING SALARY INCREASES; AND -ESTABLISHING AN INDEPENDENT CITIZEN REVIEW COMMITTEE TO MONITOR AND REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY TO ENSURE THE TAXES ARE USED FOR THE PURPOSES IDENTIFIED IN THIS BALLOT MEASURE, WHICH TAXES (I) SHALL BE DEPOSITED INTO A SEPARATE, DEDICATED SUB ACCOUNT WITHIN THE GENERAL FUND OF THE DISTRICT AND USED SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSES IDENTIFIED IN THIS BALLOT MEASURE, (II) SHALL BE IN ADDITION TO THE PROPERTY TAXES OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED TO BE LEVIED FOR THE GENERAL FUND, (III) SHALL BE SUBJECT TO STATE LAWS, REGULATIONS AND DISTRICT POLICIES FOR ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY, AND (IV) SHALL CONSTITUTE A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE? YES/FOR <input type="radio"/> NO/AGAINST <input type="radio"/>
Amendment 79 (CONSTITUTIONAL) Shall there be a change to the Colorado constitution recognizing the right to abortion, and, in connection therewith, prohibiting the state and local governments from denying, impeding, or discriminating against the exercise of that right, allowing abortion to be a covered service under health insurance plans for Colorado state and local government employees and for enrollees in state and local governmental insurance programs? YES/FOR <input type="radio"/> NO/AGAINST <input type="radio"/>	Proposition 130 (STATUTORY) Shall there be a change to the Colorado Revised Statutes concerning state funding for peace officer training and support, and, in connection therewith, directing the legislature to appropriate 350 million dollars to the peace officer training and support fund for municipal and county law enforcement agencies to hire and retain peace officers; allowing the fund to be used for pay, bonuses, initial and continuing education and training, and a death benefit for a peace officer, police, fire and first responder killed in the line of duty; and requiring the funding to supplement existing appropriations? YES/FOR <input type="radio"/> NO/AGAINST <input type="radio"/>	Special District Ballot Measures Cortez Fire Protection District Ballot Issue 6-A SHALL CORTEZ FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED \$3,294,000 ANNUALLY (\$1,647,000 IN 2025) AND BY WHATEVER AMOUNTS ARE RAISED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER FROM A SALES TAX TO COMMENCE ON JULY 1, 2025 AT A RATE NOT TO EXCEED 0.54%, EXCLUDING ALL SALES TAX TRANSACTIONS ON SALES OF FOOD FOR DOMESTIC HOME CONSUMPTION, PRESCRIPTIONS, DIAPERS, FEMININE PRODUCTS, FARM EQUIPMENT, MACHINERY AND MACHINE TOOLS, SCHOOL ACTIVITIES, AND ALL OTHER CATEGORIES EXEMPT FROM STATE SALES TAX COLLECTION PURSUANT TO TITLE 39, ARTICLE 26, PART 7, C.R.S., SUCH SALES TAX TO BE IN ADDITION TO ALL OTHER TAXES LEVIED BY THE DISTRICT, WITH THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH TAXES USED FOR GENERAL OPERATING FIRE PROTECTION AND LIFE SAFETY USES AND ANY OTHER USES AUTHORIZED BY LAW? YES/FOR <input type="radio"/> NO/AGAINST <input type="radio"/>
Amendment 80 (CONSTITUTIONAL) Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution establishing the right to school choice for children in kindergarten through 12th grade, and, in connection therewith, declaring that school choice includes neighborhood, charter, and private schools; home schooling; open enrollment options; and future innovations in education? YES/FOR <input type="radio"/> NO/AGAINST <input type="radio"/>	Proposition 131 (STATUTORY) Shall there be a change to the Colorado Revised Statutes creating new election processes for certain federal and state offices, and, in connection therewith, creating a new all-candidate primary election for U.S. Senate, U.S. House of Representatives, governor, attorney general, secretary of state, treasurer, CU board of regents, state board of education, and the Colorado state legislature; allowing voters to vote for any one candidate per office, regardless of the voter's or candidate's political party affiliation; providing that the four candidates for each office who receive the most votes advance to the general election; and in the general election, allowing voters to rank candidates for each office on their ballot, adopting a process for how the ranked votes are tallied, and determining the winner to be the candidate with the highest number of votes in the final tally? YES/FOR <input type="radio"/> NO/AGAINST <input type="radio"/>	
Proposition JJ (STATUTORY) Without raising taxes, may the state keep and spend all sports betting tax revenue above voter-approved limits to fund water conservation and protection projects instead of refunding revenue to casinos? YES/FOR <input type="radio"/> NO/AGAINST <input type="radio"/>	County Ballot Measures Montezuma County Ballot Issue 1-A SHALL MONTEZUMA COUNTY TAXES BE INCREASED BY AN ESTIMATED \$8,123,002 BEGINNING IN 2025 AND BY WHATEVER ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS ARE RAISED THEREAFTER BY THE IMPOSITION OF A 1.0 PERCENT SALES TAX TO BE USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR CAPITAL EXPENDITURES OR OPERATIONAL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE MONTEZUMA COUNTY SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT, THE MONTEZUMA COUNTY JAIL, AND MONTEZUMA COUNTY'S DRUG TASK FORCE; SHALL MONTEZUMA COUNTY BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT, RETAIN, AND SPEND ALL REVENUE GENERATED BY SUCH TAX IN EXCESS OF THE LIMITATION PROVIDED IN SECTION 20 OF ARTICLE X OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION AS A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE; SHALL SUCH TAX COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1, 2025 AND BE IMPOSED AS FOLLOWS: A SALES TAX AT A RATE OF 1.0 PERCENT ON THE SALE OF TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY OF RETAIL AND SERVICES TAXABLE IN THE COUNTY PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 39-26-104, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES, PROVIDED THAT THIS QUESTION DOES NOT AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY TO INCREASE ANY OTHER FEE OR TAX, INCLUDING PROPERTY TAXES; SHALL FARM EQUIPMENT, NOT INCLUDING ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION EQUIPMENT, BE EXEMPTED FROM THE IMPOSED SALES TAX; AND SHALL THIS TAX INCREASE CONSTITUTE A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE AND EXCEPTION TO THE LIMITS THAT OTHERWISE WOULD APPLY TO THE COUNTY UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20, OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION, COMMON KNOWN AS THE TAXPAYER'S BILL OF RIGHTS OF "LABOR"; ALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MONTEZUMA COUNTY AND SET FORTH IN RESOLUTION NO. 5-2024 YES/FOR <input type="radio"/> NO/AGAINST <input type="radio"/>	
Proposition KK (STATUTORY) SHALL STATE TAXES BE INCREASED BY \$39,000,000 ANNUALLY TO FUND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, INCLUDING FOR MILITARY VETERANS AND AT-RISK YOUTH, SCHOOL SAFETY AND GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION, AND SUPPORT SERVICES FOR VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND OTHER VIOLENT CRIMES BY AUTHORIZING A TAX ON GUN DEALERS, GUN MANUFACTURERS, AND AMMUNITION VENDORS AT THE RATE OF 6.5% OF THE NET TAXABLE SALES FROM THE RETAIL SALE OF ANY GUN, GUN PRECURSOR PART, OR AMMUNITION, WITH THE STATE KEEPING AND SPENDING ALL OF THE NEW TAX REVENUE AS A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE? YES/FOR <input type="radio"/> NO/AGAINST <input type="radio"/>		
Proposition 127 (STATUTORY) Shall there be a change to the Colorado Revised Statutes concerning a prohibition on the hunting of mountain lions, lynx, and bobcats, and, in connection therewith, prohibiting the intentional killing, wounding, pursuing, entrapping, or discharging or releasing of a deadly weapon at a mountain lion, lynx, or bobcat, creating eight exceptions to this prohibition including for the protection of human life, property, and livestock; establishing a violation of this prohibition as a class 1 misdemeanor; and increasing fines and limiting wildlife license privileges for persons convicted of this crime? YES/FOR <input type="radio"/> NO/AGAINST <input type="radio"/>		
Proposition 128 (STATUTORY) Shall there be a change to the Colorado Revised Statutes concerning parole eligibility for an offender convicted of certain crimes, and, in connection therewith, requiring an offender who is convicted of second degree murder; first degree assault; class 2 felony kidnapping; sexual assault; first degree arson; first degree burglary; or aggravated robbery committed on or after January 1, 2025, to serve 85 percent of the sentence imposed before being eligible for parole, and requiring an offender convicted of any such crime committed on or after January 1, 2025, who was previously convicted of any two crimes of violence, not just those crimes enumerated in this measure, to serve the full sentence imposed before beginning to serve parole? YES/FOR <input type="radio"/> NO/AGAINST <input type="radio"/>		

