

SENECA-CAYUGA NATION NOTICE OF ELECTION

DATE OF THE ELECTION JUNE 6, 2026

Pursuant to Article VII and Article VIII of the Constitution of the Seneca-Cayuga Nation the election of the Business Committee and Grievance Committee positions with the terms expiring in June 2026 will be conducted at the June 6, 2026 annual General Council Meeting.

Business Committee Positions To Be Elected

SECOND CHIEF

Term to begin June 6, 2026 and end June 1, 2030

SECRETARY/TREASURER

Term to begin June 6, 2026 and end June 1, 2030

SECOND COUNCIL PERSON

Term to begin June 6, 2026 and end June 1, 2030

FOURTH COUNCIL PERSON

Term to begin June 6, 2026 and end June 1, 2030

Grievance Committee Positions to Be elected

SECOND COMMITTEE MEMBER

Term to begin June 6, 2026 and end June 1, 2030

FOURTH COMMITTEE MEMBER

Term to begin June 6, 2026 and end June 1, 2030

QUALIFICATIONS OF ELECTED OFFICIALS AND DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE REQUIRED TO BE PRESENTED UPON FILING DECLARATION FOR CANDIDACY

In keeping with Article II Qualifications of Officers, of the By-Laws to the Constitution of the Seneca-Cayuga Nation, a prospective candidate for elective office of the Seneca-Cayuga Nation must meet all of the requirements as follows:

- a. Shall be not less than 25 years of age,
- b. A member of the Seneca-Cayuga Nation and
- c. Reside within a radius of 150 miles in any direction from Bassett Grove Stomp grounds.

Any qualified member of the Seneca-Cayuga Nation who desires his/her name to be placed on the ballot as a candidate for office shall file a Declaration of Candidacy with the Election Committee at the Career Center Building #23721 interview room located at the Seneca-Cayuga Nation Headquarters Complex 23701 S. 655 Road Grove, Oklahoma in the form prescribed by the Election Committee. The Burden of Proof shall be on the candidate to present evidence that the candidate meets the qualifications of elected officials. Such required documentary evidence will consist of:

The Candidate's Seneca-Cayuga Nation Membership Card, a valid second government issued ID. In addition to one of the following:

- a. A copy of a current bill with the candidate's name on it,
- b. a notarized letter of residency signed by a neighbor or other resident,
- c. or another form of verification determined by the Election Committee.

All addresses must match to verify.

DECLARATIONS OF CANDIDACY

The date for filing of Declarations of Candidacy shall be March 20th and 21st, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at the Career Center Building #23721 interview room located at the Nation headquarters complex, 23701S. 655 Road Grove, Oklahoma. The Declaration of Candidacy must be filed in writing and in person with the Election Committee. No person shall be a candidate for more than one (1) office at any time.

Each qualified candidate for office shall be allowed to submit for publication in the Special Edition Notice of Election Newsletter a one-page biography and/or political platform letter. Qualified candidates may also submit a picture for publication. Candidate's letters shall be listed according to the official list of candidates. The Special Edition Newsletter shall be mailed to every member of the Nation 18 years of age and older on the day of the election with an address listed on the Registered Voter Mailing List.

The Election Committee shall see that every Qualified Candidate for office shall receive a copy of the Voter Mailing List at the time of filing for elective office.

FILING FEE

There shall be a non-refundable filing fee of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for the Business Committee positions and for the Grievance Committee positions. Filing fees shall be paid by cashier's check or money order only. The filing fee shall be paid on the same date the prospective candidate submits his/her declaration of candidacy.

The filing fee shall be deposited into the Nation's Tribal Operations Account to defray the expenses incurred during the election. Upon submission of the Declaration of Candidacy and payment of the required filing fee, candidates shall not be allowed to withdraw from the election or file for a different elected position.

POLLING PLACE

The polling place shall be the Seneca-Cayuga Nation Community Building located at 24805 South 660 Road, Grove, Oklahoma. The voting hours shall be 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on June 6, 2026.

Any enrolled member of the Nation that is 18 years of age and older on June 6, 2026, will be permitted to register and cast their ballot at the polling place.

VOTING PROCEDURES

The Notice of Election along with the Electronic Ballot Request Form is sent with the newsletter to the resident address or if different the mailing address of each enrolled member of the Nation that is or that will be 18 years of age and older on June 6, 2026. The Electronic Ballot Request will also be available on the tribal website. **All members who are not voting in person must complete the attached Electronic Ballot Request Form and return to Enrollment Officer Attention: Enrollment Officer, Post Office Box 453220, Grove, Oklahoma 74345. Must be received/postmarked no later than April 22, 2026.**

BALLOT PROCESS

All Nation members listed on the Eligible Voter List who have elected to vote at the Polling Place shall be allowed to vote at the Polling Place.

Ballot Packet Instructions: In person and Electronic Voting will be available during the polling times of 9:00 am to 3:00 pm June 6, 2026

NO ELECTIONEERING OR LOITERING SHALL BE ALLOWED WITHIN FIVE- HUNDRED FEET OF POLLING PLACE PREMISES

The Electronic Ballot will contain "QR" codes that when scanned on a smart device, will allow the voter to register and vote. This is a simple and secure process that will be demonstrated in a training video that will be made available to everyone.

