2027
Board of Retirement
Special Notice of Election

November 24, 2026

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held on **March 23, 2027**, to fill the following seat on the Kern County Employees' Retirement Association (KCERA) Board of Retirement:

- **Alternate Seventh Member (Safety Seat)**
- The elected member will serve the remainder of current term ending **December 31, 2027.**

Candidate Eligibility*

- Open to *active Safety Members*.
- Because the current Seventh Member (Safety) is from the Kern County Fire Department, candidates for the Alternate Seventh Member seat must be active safety members from the Kern County Sheriff's Department, Office of the District Attorney, or Probation Department.
- Candidates from the Probation Department are placed on the ballot only when there is no eligible safety member candidate from the Fire Department, Sheriff's Department, or Office of the District Attorney

If only one candidate has met the filing requirements, the candidate will be elected to the seat through an appointment in lieu of election.*

How To File for Candidacy

- Nomination Period opens **January 4, 2027**
- **KCERA Board Election Information Packet** may be obtained at: www.kcera.org or the KCERA office located at 11125 River Run Boulevard, Bakersfield, CA 93311
- **Deadline to submit all required documents –** No later than **5 p.m. on February 1, 2027**

Voting Information

- The election will be conducted **by both mail *and* online**.
- Only active members designated as safety members are eligible to vote for the Alternate Seventh Member of the Board.
- Ballots will be mailed by **March 2, 2027**, to all eligible KCERA voting members.
- **Voting deadline:** Ballots must be received by **11:59 p.m. on March 23, 2027,** to be counted.
- **Counting of Ballots:** Begins **March 25, 2027 at 9:00 a.m.** at KCERA's office.

Information regarding the election, including election results, is available on the KCERA website at: www.kcera.org. Questions regarding nominations and/or election procedures should be directed to KCERA at administration@kcera.org

For More Information

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** Please refer to KCERA's Election Procedures Policy for more detailed information: https://www.kcera.org/governance-policies.*

Turn over for KCERA Election Calendar

KCERA
KERN COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

2027 Board of Retirement Special Election Calendar

Date	Event
11/24/26	**Notice of Election** Election information will be mailed/emailed to eligible voting members*, sent to KCERA stakeholders, posted at KCERA, and online at: www.kcera.org
1/04/27 to 2/01/27 by 5 p.m.	**Nomination Period** Qualified applicants may pursue election to a seat on the Board by completing and submitting the required nomination documents during the Nomination Period. The documents may obtained from KCERA or online at www.kcera.org *A candidate may withdraw a declaration of candidacy no later than the last day of the Nomination Period (or Extended Nomination Period, if applicable).*
Does Not Apply to this Election	**Extended Nomination Period** If an incumbent trustee fails to meet filing requirements, any other qualified applicant can submit required nomination documents by this deadline to pursue election.
	Appointment in Lieu of Election If only one candidate has met the filing requirements, the candidate will be elected to the seat through an appointment in lieu of election.* *For detailed information regarding election of Alternate 7th Member, see KCERA's Election Procedures Policy*:* www.kcera.org/governance-policies
2/08/27	**Candidate List** The Certified Candidate List will be posted at KCERA and published online at: www.kcera.org.
2/09/27 to 3/16/27 by 5 p.m.	**Write-In Candidate Filing Period** An eligible member may declare candidacy as a write-in candidate by meeting the filing requirements by the deadlines listed in this Election Calendar.
3/02/27	**Mail & Email Official Ballots** Ballots mailed/emailed to eligible voting members*.
3/23/27	**Election Day** Mail-in and electronic ballots must be received by 11:59 p.m. to be processed and counted.
3/25/27 9 a.m.	**Counting of Ballots** Any person may observe the ballot count at the KCERA Office.
3/26/27	**Certified Election Results** Certified election results will be posted at KCERA and published online at www.kcera.org

If any day on which action is required pursuant to this policy falls on a weekend or holiday, KCERA's next scheduled workday shall be the day on which such action must occur. This document is subject to change without notice.

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