

**OFFICIAL CALL
MASS MEETING
of the Bedford County Republican Committee
of the Republican Party of Virginia**

**Tuesday, September 29, 2026 | 6:30 PM
Venue 109, 109 South Bridge Street, Bedford, Virginia 24523**

ONLY AFFECTS BEDFORD COUNTY VOTERS RESIDING IN THE 5TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

301 - New London Academy	401 - Forest Elementary School
303 - Forest Alliance Church	402 - Thomas Jefferson Elem School
304 - One in Christ Church	403 - Pleasant View Baptist Church
305 - Forest Fire Station #2	404 - Forest Recreation Center
503 - Boonsboro Elementary School	705 - Mountain View Church
504 - Boonsboro Ruritan Club	

As Chairman of the Bedford County Republican Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia, pursuant to the Plan of Organization of the Republican Party of Virginia and as directed by action of the Bedford County Republican Committee at its regular business meeting on September 15, 2026, I, Brandon K. Butler, do hereby issue this Call for a Mass Meeting to be held at Venue 109, 109 South Bridge Street, Bedford, Virginia 24523, beginning at 6:30 PM local time on Tuesday, September 29, 2026, for the sole purpose stated below.

The Bedford County Republican Committee authorized this Mass Meeting, including its date, time, pre-filing requirement, and pre-filing procedures, at its September 15, 2026 regular business meeting. This Mass Meeting is a separate Party proceeding and will be held only if necessary under the pre-filing and cancellation provisions below.

Purpose and Basis of Representation

To elect up to 495 Delegates and up to an equal number of Alternate Delegates from the portion of Bedford County located within Virginia's 5th Congressional District to the Fifth Congressional District Republican Party 2026 Convention, Saturday, November 14, 2026, at 10:00 AM at Thomas Gymnasium, Fork Union Military Academy, 4744 James Madison Highway, Fork Union, Virginia 23055, or an alternate site or date if necessary. The District Convention will elect the Fifth District Republican Committee Chairman and transact such other business as may properly come before it.

The Fifth District Convention Call assigns Bedford County 99 Delegate Votes and a maximum of 495 Delegates, with up to an equal number of Alternates. Only qualified voters residing in the Bedford County precincts listed above may participate in this Mass Meeting or vote for Bedford County's Fifth District Delegates and Alternates.

Qualifications for Participation

1. All citizens of the United States who are legal and qualified voters under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, regardless of race, religion, national origin or sex, who reside in one of the Bedford County precincts listed in this Call, who are in accord with the principles of the Republican Party, and who, if requested, express in open meeting either orally or in writing as may be required their intent to support all Republican nominees for public office in the ensuing election, may participate as members of the Republican Party of Virginia in this Mass Meeting.

2. A voter who, subsequent to making a statement of intent, publicly supports a candidate in opposition to a Republican nominee is not qualified for participation in Party actions for four (4) years, as provided in Article I of the State Party Plan.
3. Unless otherwise stipulated by the appropriate Official Committee, a person otherwise qualified shall not have participated in Virginia in the nomination process of a political party other than the Republican Party within the preceding five (5) years. The written-renunciation exception in Article I, Section A, Paragraph 5 of the State Party Plan remains available to an otherwise qualified voter who satisfies its requirements.
4. **To be eligible for election or certification as a Delegate or Alternate Delegate, an individual must be registered to vote in the Fifth Congressional District portion of Bedford County no later than the pre-filing deadline of 5:00 PM on Wednesday, September 23, 2026. Eligibility may be verified against official voter-registration records. Each candidate must provide the information and certifications required by the official Fifth District Delegate Filing Form.**

Delegate Pre-Filing Requirements

Advance pre-filing is required for every person seeking election or certification as a Delegate or Alternate Delegate. Each candidate must use the official Fifth Congressional District Delegate Filing Form, complete and sign it, and submit it with the mandatory \$20.00 District Convention registration fee. All required filing materials must actually be received no later than 5:00 PM on Wednesday, September 23, 2026. Substitute forms will not be accepted.

Filings may be submitted: (1) in person to Brandon K. Butler, Chairman; (2) by U.S. Mail or other delivery service to Bedford County Republican Committee, Attn: Brandon K. Butler, Chairman, P.O. Box 824, Bedford, Virginia 24523; or (3) by email, with the signed official form attached as a PDF or legible image, to brandonkbutler@proton.me. In every case, actual receipt by 5:00 PM on September 23 controls; postmarks do not govern. For an emailed filing, the signed form must be received by email and the \$20.00 fee must separately be received by the Chairman, in person or at the mailing address above, by the same deadline.

There is no fee to attend or vote in the Mass Meeting. The \$20.00 fee is the mandatory Fifth District Convention fee and shall be paid to the Bedford County Republican Committee by cash or check payable to the Committee. A filing is complete only when both the signed official form and fee have been timely received. Unless a candidate expressly states in writing that he or she seeks election as an Alternate Delegate, the filing will be treated as a candidacy for Delegate.

Method of Delegate and Alternate Selection

1. Military Members certified under the Military Members section below shall count against Bedford County's maximum number of 495 Delegates.
2. **If the number of properly filed and qualified candidates for Delegate does not exceed the number of Delegate positions authorized for Bedford County, all such candidates shall be deemed elected without ballot; the same rule applies to properly filed and qualified candidates for Alternate Delegate. If the number of candidates in every category does not exceed the number authorized to be elected, all qualified candidates shall be deemed elected and the Mass Meeting shall be cancelled. Notice of cancellation shall be posted promptly through the same channels used to publish this Call.**
3. **If either the Delegate or Alternate Delegate election is contested, the Mass Meeting shall be held on Tuesday, September 29, 2026. Registration opens at 6:00 PM and the Mass Meeting will be called to order at 6:30 PM; persons in line at 6:30 PM may complete registration and, if qualified, participate. A contested election shall be by secret ballot, with no cumulative voting; the highest vote-getters shall be elected, and a tie affecting the final position shall be resolved by immediate runoff. At the District Convention, Delegates present shall designate Alternates to replace absent Delegates unless the Mass Meeting adopts another lawful method.**

Military Members

A 'Military Member' (a member of the Virginia National Guard, U.S. Armed Forces, Merchant Marine, or Coast Guard currently serving on active duty) who is otherwise qualified under Article I of the State Party Plan, complies with this Call's pre-filing requirements, and produces valid military identification or other satisfactory proof of active-duty status shall be certified as a Delegate without election and shall count toward Bedford County's 495-Delegate maximum.

A Military Member must cause the signed official Delegate Filing Form, \$20.00 fee, and proof of active-duty status to be received by the Chairman no later than 5:00 PM on Wednesday, September 23, 2026. The form may be delivered in person, received by mail at the address above, or emailed to brandonkbutler@proton.me; postmarks do not govern. A certified Military Delegate unable to attend the District Convention because of official military orders shall follow the candidate-preference-ballot procedures and deadlines in the Fifth District Convention Call.

Conduct, Public Access, and Location

The Mass Meeting shall be open to the public and held in a building appropriate for public use. If Venue 109 becomes unavailable or inadequate, the Chairman may move the Mass Meeting to a more adequate but equally accessible building, provided written notice is posted at the original location and attendees receive sufficient time to reach the alternate location and participate.

The Mass Meeting shall be governed, in the order of precedence prescribed by the State Party Plan, by the State Party Plan; applicable District or Unit plans or bylaws; properly adopted Mass Meeting rules; and Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised.

Certification and Publication

The permanent Chairman and Secretary of the Mass Meeting, or the BCRC Chairman as permitted by the State Party Plan, shall certify the Delegates and Alternates. If the Mass Meeting is cancelled because all properly filed and qualified candidates are deemed elected, the BCRC Chairman shall complete the appropriate certification without convening the Mass Meeting. BCRC shall submit the required certification materials and Convention fees to the Fifth District Committee no later than October 3, 2026.

This Call shall be published in its entirety beginning September 15, 2026, on the Republican Party of Virginia website and on such BCRC and Fifth District websites as are available and appropriate. A copy shall also be emailed to BCRC members with email addresses on file and to the Fifth District Chairman. The official Fifth District Delegate Filing Form shall be posted or distributed concurrently with this Call and made readily available to prospective candidates. Pre-filing under this Call opens upon issuance and publication of the Call following the Committee's September 15, 2026 action.

Issued: September 15, 2026

Brandon K. Butler

Chairman, Bedford County Republican Committee

Paid for and authorized by the Bedford County Republican Committee.



5th Congressional District of Virginia 2026 Republican Convention Delegate File Form for _____(Unit)



I, _____, hereby declare my intention to seek election as a Delegate from _____ (City/County) to the 5th Congressional District of Virginia Republican 2026 Convention, in accordance with the Qualifications for Participation set forth in the RPV Party Plan and the 5th Congressional District Call. I certify:

I am a legally qualified voter of _____ (City/County),

I am in accord with the principles of the Republican Party, and

I pledge to support all the Republican nominees in the general election.

Signature of Candidate for Delegate

Date

NOTE: ALL THREE QUALIFICATION BOXES ABOVE MUST BE CHECKED AND THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED AND DATED BY THE DELEGATE CANDIDATE FOR ACCEPTANCE!

My payment of \$20.00 (Cash or Check) for the MANDATORY FEE to participate in this Convention is attached. Checks must be made payable to the UNIT COMMITTEE.

Please Complete the Following:

Full Legal Name:

*Preferred Phone Number:

Street Address:

City, State & Zip Code:

Resident of County/City

Mailing Address (if different):

City, State & Zip Code:

*Email Address (if available):

*Your phone number & email address are not required by the State Party Plan, but will be helpful to keep you informed regarding Convention information.

For more information or to contact the chairman in the county or city where you are registered, please visit: <https://5thdistrictva.gov/district-committee/>

This completed form along with the mandatory fee must be returned according to the requirements of the Call posted/published by the unit in the county or city where you are registered to vote.

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