



2026 St. Mary's Educator Endorsed Candidates for Board of Education and Board of County Commissioner



Liz Cooper
Board of Ed District 1



Eric Colvin
Commissioner District 1



Brandon Russell
Commissioner District 2



Ryan Daniels
Commissioner District 4

Background

Retired SMCPS Supervisor of Reading and Writing Instruction. Writer of 16 children's books

Born and raised in St. Mary's and currently in 2nd term as District 1 Commissioner

Creator of "Informed St. Mary's" to make government transparent and accessible

Decorated combat veteran working to bring resources to vets and fiscal conservative Democrat

Education Funding



All candidates agree that funding our public schools is a priority. Properly funded schools give educators the resources our children need to thrive and succeed in school.



Priorities

High-quality instruction and student achievement

Transparency, supporting EMS, Education

Managing development, funding education, and safety

Mental health services, funding education, housing

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE! LOCAL ELECTIONS MATTER!

Early Voting is October 22-29 and Election Day is November 3rd

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