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STATE ELECTION BOARD

Emergency Request to Change Polling Place

Pursuant to OAC 230:10-7-109, when it is determined that a polling place cannot be utilized due to an emergency occurring less than 30 days before an election, the Secretary of the State Election Board may grant a County Election Board Secretary's request to temporarily move that polling place upon written approval.

County Election Board Secretary to complete the following information:

County: Cherokee Secretary's name: Tiffany Rozell

Precinct(s) affected: 110001 and 110007 Election date(s) affected: 8/25/2026

Complete name and address of polling place:

110001 St. Brigid Catholic Church - 807 E. Crafton St. Tahlequah OK 74464

110007 St. Brigid Catholic Church - 807 E. Crafton St. Tahlequah OK 74464

Describe the emergency affecting the polling place(s): Notice was received by my office on 8.19.2026, that St. Brigid's Catholic Church began a remodel in their Fellowship Hall, where Precincts 110001 and 110007 have long been hosted. Election calendars were sent to all polling places in December of 2025, informing them of all 2026 election dates. Contact was also made by my office weeks ago to confirm this location was available and ready to receive us for the Primary Runoff Election. As the remodel renders this location a safety hazard for our 7 officials and 2,458 voters, I'd like to request permission to relocate these 2 precincts to the Northeastern State University Alumni Center. Along with the Primary Runoff, this location is also affected for the City of Tahlequah Special Election, so I expect traffic to be steady on Election Day. The Alumni Center is 0.2 miles from the Catholic Church and is within the boundaries of Precinct 110001. This temporary change will not be a major inconvenience for voters as the NSU Alumni Association is visable from the doors of the original location. There is ample parking for this location, it meets ADA standards and has enough space to comfortably accommodate officials and voters.

Proposed new polling place location (complete name and address):

110001 - 812 N. Cedar Ave. Tahlequah OK 74464

110007 - 812 N. Cedar Ave. Tahlequah OK 74464

Describe the distance from the previous location, whether it is within the same precinct boundaries, and the methods that will be utilized to alert voters and the public about the change:

The Tahlequah Daily Press Newspaper, Lakes County, 102.1 (our local radio station), The City of Tahlequah, Cherokee County Election Board official Facebook page, and Cherokee County Party Chairs will all be notified and asked to help spread word of this change. Signs will also be placed at the St. Brigid Catholic Church directing voters down the street.

Date of Request: 8/19/2026 Secretary's Signature: _____

To be completed by the Secretary of the State Election Board:

The above request to temporarily relocate the polling places due to an emergency situation for the affected precincts to the above-mentioned new location for the affected election date(s) is hereby:

☒ Approved ☐ Not approved

Secretary's comments:

Signature of the Secretary of the State Election Board: _____

Date: 8/20/26

Upon approval of any temporary change to a polling place, the Secretary should contact the news media and place the information on the county's website or social media page (if any) to announce the change in the polling place. If possible, notice should also be placed on the door or other conspicuous location at the previous polling place.