

Republican Primary March 3, 2026 - early voting starts February 17

While voting, you CAN take a paper in with you, but CANNOT use a phone.

2026 Republican Primary Sample Ballot: Smith County, Texas

Incumbents marked **

Contested countywide & above offices — does not include internal political party positions.

U.S. Senator:

- ☐ John Cornyn**
- ☐ Sara Canady
- ☐ Gulrez “Gus” Khan
- ☐ Anna Bender
- ☐ Wesley Hunt
- ☐ Virgil John Bierschwale
- ☐ Ken Paxton
- ☐ John O. Adefope
- ☐ (blank/undecided)

Governor:

- ☐ R.F. “Bob” Achgill
- ☐ Charles Andrew Crouch
- ☐ Mark V. Goloby
- ☐ Kenneth Hyde
- ☐ Nathaniel Welch
- ☐ Stephen Samuelson
- ☐ Evelyn Brooks
- ☐ Pete “Doc” Chambers
- ☐ Ronnie Tullos
- ☐ Arturo Espinosa
- ☐ Greg Abbott**
- ☐ (blank/undecided)

Lt. Governor:

- ☐ Timothy Mabry
- ☐ Perla Muñoz Hopkins
- ☐ Esala Wueschner
- ☐ Dan Patrick**
- ☐ (blank/undecided)

**Comptroller of Public
Accounts:**

- ☐ Michael Berlanga
- ☐ Christi Craddick
- ☐ Don Huffines
- ☐ Kelly Hancock
- ☐ (blank/undecided)

**Commissioner of
Agriculture:**

- ☐ Sid Miller**
- ☐ Nate Sheets
- ☐ (blank/undecided)

Railroad Commissioner:

- ☐ Jim Wright**
- ☐ Hawk Dunlap
- ☐ Katherine Culbert
- ☐ Bo French
- ☐ James “Jim” Matlock
- ☐ (blank/undecided)

**Judge, Court of Criminal
Appeals, Place 3:**

- ☐ Lesli Fitzpatrick
- ☐ Thomas Smith
- ☐ Alison Fox
- ☐ Brent Coffee
- ☐ (blank/undecided)

**Judge, Court of Criminal
Appeals, Place 9**

- ☐ Jennifer Balido
- ☐ John Messinger
- ☐ (blank/undecided)

**TX State Board of Edu.
Dist. 9:**

- ☐ Kason Huddleston
- ☐ Stephen Yearout
- ☐ Rachel Hogue
- ☐ (blank/undecided)

TX State Rep; Dist. 5

- ☐ Cole Hefner**
- ☒ LTC Dewey Collier (Ret)
- ☐ (blank/undecided)

Read the 2026 RPT
Ballot Propositions —
from Proposition to
Policy

