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On Tuesday, November 4, 2025 the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe (SCIT) held the 2025 General Election. The Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribal community has elected its newest Tribal Council for the 2025-2027 two-year term. District 1 members had the opportunity to select ten representatives. District 2 members selected one representative and District 3 members also selected one representative. Voter participation for the 2025 General Election reached a combined 36.37%. The Election Caucus Committee has reviewed and certified the results of the General Election for 2025. **Please see the attached results sheet for complete details on the 2025 SCIT Tribal Council General Election.**

The Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe is comprised of three districts that account for the total registered voting membership of 2,139. This accounts for 76.50% of the possible 2,796 members who had an ability to register to vote. The District 1 voting boundaries encompass all of Isabella County. There are a total of 1,195 registered voters. District 1 had 1,395 members who were eligible to register to cast a ballot. Voter participation in the 2025 District 1 General Election totaled 556 members and reflected a 46.53% turnout.

District 2 voting boundaries are within the Saginaw Reservation in Arenac County and had 43 registered voters. There are currently 54 members that were eligible to register to vote in District 2. Voter participation in the 2025 District 2 General Election totaled 22 members and reflected a 51.16% turnout. Finally, District 3, or the At-Large district, are those members who are reflective of the remaining tribal membership that live outside either of the boundaries of District 1 or 2. These members account for the remaining 901 registered voters. District 3 had a total of 1,347 members who were eligible to register to vote. Voter participation in the 2025 District 3 General Election totaled 200 members and reflected a 22.20% turnout.

By ordinance, any candidate for office or voter in the election may protest the results, and only for the voting district in which such voter or candidate is registered, within three (3) business days of the General Election. The election protest deadline is Friday, November 7, 2025 by 5:00 p.m. By ordinance, any Tribal member voting in the election may contest a ballot count within seven (7) calendar days of the General Election results with a deadline of Tuesday, November 11, 2025 by 5:00 p.m. in the district which they are a registered voter. **With the observance of the Veterans Day Holiday on Tuesday, November 11, 2025 the deadline for a contest of the ballot count is Monday, November 10, 2025 by 5:00 p.m.** The Caucus Committee has the right to review and determine whether another count is necessary.

The newly elected SCIT Tribal Council will be sworn in during the Tuesday, December 2, 2025 Regular Session meeting beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort Entertainment Hall. This schedule is preliminary, allowing for any election protest in accordance with Tribal Law. Please contact Erik Rodriguez, Interim Public Relations Director at (989) 775-4059 or at erodriguez@sagchip.org for more information on the announcement.