2026 General Elections Appeal

In the event that a complainant believes that the Chief Returning Officer or their designate erred in any decision made pursuant to the KSA Regulations, Section XI, Article 10, the complainant may appeal that decision to the Chief Returning Officer.

The following are the instructions for submitting an appeal:

1. Please complete the fields below. Appeals without an appellant's name will not be addressed.

2. Be concise, provide factual details and attach as many supporting documents as possible. Please remember to reference the particular section(s) of the KSA Bylaws, Regulations, and/or Chief Returning Officer rules you believe were violated. You must also explain how you believe the violation affected the fairness or the outcome of the election.

3. Appeal forms, together with any supporting documents, must be submitted in person to KSA Member Services at KSA's main office at the Surrey campus. All appeal forms must include a $50 deposit. **The $50 deposit must be in the form of cash**, and must be submitted in person to KSA Member Services at KSA's main office at the Surrey campus. After paying the $50 cash deposit, you will be issued a receipt, and you must send a photograph or scanned copy of the receipt as proof of payment to the Chief Returning Officer by email at elections@kusa.ca, using your non-KPU email address. The $50 cash deposit will be returned to you no later than 14 days after the resolution of all appeals, unless the Chief Returning Officer deems the appeal to be frivolous or vexatious. If the $50 cash deposit is returned, then you will be asked to sign a declaration sheet confirming that your $50 cash deposit has been refunded to you.

The Chief Returning Officer will consider the merits of the appeal and undertake whatever process for considering the appeal that they see fit. The onus of proof is upon the appellant to prove that the Chief Returning Officer or their designate erred in some material way in the original decision. The failure of the Chief Returning Officer, their designate or any other elections staff to abide by any given rule shall not be sufficient, in and of itself, to establish the merits of an appeal: a material effect in the result of the election must be proved (KSA Regulations, Section XI, Article 11(3)).

The Chief Returning Officer may require further information, including contact information for witnesses. If this is not provided by the deadline specified by the Chief Returning Officer in the request for this information, the appeal will be adjudicated without this information, which is likely to have a negative effect on the outcome of the appeal.

Appellant Name

First Name

Last Name

Appellant Email

This must be your non-KPU email address (example@example.com)

Appellant Phone Number

Area Code

Phone Number

Appellant's Student Number (if applicable)

Student Number

Description of the Issue in Question (Include Names of all Persons Involved and an Explanation of How the Election is Affected)

Report of the Decision Being Appealed (Describe the Original Decision Being Appealed)

Description of Alleged Errors Made by the Chief Returning Officer or their Designate (Include the Relevant Section(s) of the KSA Bylaws, Regulations, and/or Chief Returning Officer Rules)

Evidence (Summarize the Evidence You Are Attaching to This Form)

Remedy Being Sought (Describe the Remedy You are Seeking)

Signature of Appellant (Typed Signatures Are NOT Acceptable) **Date Submitted**

Month Day Year

*A $50.00 deposit in the form of **cash** must be submitted with this appeal form, which will be returned within 14 days of the resolution of all appeals, unless the Chief Returning Officer determines that the appeal is frivolous or vexatious.*