

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION**

**Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. )**

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**STRYKER CORPORATION**

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

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## Notice of 2026 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Stryker Corporation

**Date:** May 6, 2026

**Time:** 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time

**Place:** This year's annual meeting of shareholders of Stryker Corporation will be held virtually via the internet only. Shareholders will be able to listen, vote and submit questions regardless of location via the internet at [www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/SYK2026](http://www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/SYK2026) by using the 16-digit control number included on your notice regarding the availability of proxy materials, proxy card (printed in the box and marked by the arrow) and the instructions that accompanied your proxy materials.

**Items of Business:**

- Elect ten directors;
- Ratify appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for 2026;
- Conduct an advisory vote to approve named executive officer compensation; and
- Transact any other business that may properly come before the meeting and any adjournment or postponement.

We invite all shareholders to attend the virtual meeting. At the meeting, you will have the opportunity to ask questions of our management with respect to the matters to be voted on and will hear a report on our business. Stryker's accompanying proxy materials include instructions on how to participate in the meeting and the means by which you may vote your shares and submit questions. Our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2025 is available at [www.proxymaterials.stryker.com](http://www.proxymaterials.stryker.com).

Only shareholders of record on March 9, 2026 may vote at the meeting.

Your vote is important. Please vote your shares promptly. To vote your shares, you may use the internet, call the toll-free telephone number as described on your proxy card or complete, sign, date and return your proxy card by mail.

Tina S. French  
Vice President, Corporate Secretary

March 23, 2026

**IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR THE SHAREHOLDERS MEETING ON MAY 6, 2026.**

This Proxy Statement, our 2025 Annual Report on Form 10-K and a link to the means to vote by internet are available at [www.proxymaterials.stryker.com](http://www.proxymaterials.stryker.com).

## Mission

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Together with our customers,  
we are driven  
to make healthcare better.

## Values

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**Integrity**  
We do what's right

**Accountability**  
We do what we say

**People**  
We grow talent

**Performance**  
We deliver





































































































