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2026 Important Dates to Remember

Revised: July 3, 2025

First Qualifying Period U.S. Senator*, Representative in Congress*, & Judicial Candidates *Last day to change political party to run for a partisan office is April 20, 2025.				
Deadlines	Candidate Petitions	Noon, March 23, 2026		
Deadillies	Resign to Run	April 10, 2026		
Qualifying Dates	Noon, April 20 – Noon, April 24, 2026			

Second Qualifying Period				
Statewide*, Multi-County*, County, Municipal, and Special District Candidates *Last day to change political party to run for a partisan office is June 8, 2025.				
Deadlines	Candidate Petitions	Noon, May 11, 2026		
	Resign to Run	May 29, 2026		
Qualifying Dates	Noon, June 8 – Noon, June 12, 2026			

Primary Election - August 18, 2026				
Voter Registration Deadline:	July 20, 2026			
Vote-by-Mail Ballot Initial Mailing	Military & Overseas	July 2, 2026		
	Domestic/Civilian	July 9, 2026		

General Election – November 3, 2026				
Voter Registration Deadline:	October 5, 2026			
Vote-by-Mail Ballot	Military & Overseas	September 18, 2026		
Initial Mailing	Domestic/Civilian	September 24, 2026		

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