

2024 MINNESOTA SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITH PRIMARY ELECTIONS CALENDAR

NOTES ON THE CALENDAR

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This calendar lists important election dates related to the 2024 Election Cycle. Date entries include citations to Minnesota Statutes or Minnesota Rules. Minnesota Statutes and Rules are available online at the [Office of the Revisor of Statutes](https://www.revisor.mn.gov) webpage (https://www.revisor.mn.gov). In all matters, Minnesota Election Law is the final authority, not this calendar. Changes to Minnesota Election Law enacted by the Minnesota State Legislature in 2024 may alter dates or other information on this calendar. For the most current version of this document please check the [Secretary of State's Election Calendar](https://www.sos.mn.gov/election-administration-campaigns/election-administration/election-calendars/) webpage (https://www.sos.mn.gov/election-administration-campaigns/election-administration/election-calendars/).

This calendar is not intended to provide legal advice and should not be used as a substitute for legal guidance. Readers should consult with an attorney for advice concerning specific situations.

Geographic Definitions

- Metro Towns (M.S. 200.02, subd. 24): Towns located in Anoka, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Hennepin, Isanti, Ramsey, Scott, Sherburne, Washington, and Wright Counties.
- Metropolitan area (M.S. 473.121, subd. 2): The area over which the Metropolitan Council has jurisdiction, including only the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota excluding the cities of Northfield and Cannon Falls; Hennepin excluding the cities of Hanover and Rockford; Ramsey; Scott excluding the city of New Prague; and Washington.

Calculation of Dates

Dates on the 2024 Minnesota Election Calendars are calculated in the following manner, pursuant to M.S. 331A.08, subds. 1-2; 645.13-.15; and .151: When counting the number of days before an election or other event, the day before the event is the first day counted. When counting the number of days after an election or other event, the day after the event is the first day counted. When the last day falls on a weekend or legal holiday, that day is usually omitted from the computation.

Note: When Minnesota Election Law requires that a jurisdiction's administrative action be taken on or before a date that falls on a weekend, this calendar usually uses the previous Friday date to ensure timely action.

Relevant law on the calculation of dates

- 645.13 Time; publication for successive weeks.
When the term "successive weeks" is used in any law providing for the publishing of notices, the word "weeks" shall be construed as calendar weeks. The publication upon any day of such weeks shall be sufficient publication for that week, but at least five days shall elapse between each publication. At least the number of weeks specified in "successive weeks" shall elapse between the first publication and the day for the happening of the event for which the publication is made.

- 645.15 Computation of time.
Where the performance or doing of any act, duty, matter, payment, or thing is ordered or directed, and the period of time or duration for the performance or doing thereof is prescribed and fixed by law, the time, except as otherwise provided in sections 645.13 and 645.14, shall be computed so as to exclude the first and include the last day of the prescribed or fixed period or duration of time. When the last day of the period falls on Saturday, Sunday or a legal holiday, that day shall be omitted from the computation.
- 645.151 Timely delivery or filing.
When an application, payment, return, claim, statement or other document is to be delivered to or filed with a department, agency or instrumentality of this state or of a political subdivision on or before a prescribed date and the prescribed date falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, it is timely delivered or filed if it is delivered or filed on the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.
- 331A.08 Computation of time.
Subd. 1. Time for publication. The time for publication of public notices shall be computed to exclude the first day of publication and include the day on which the act or event, of which notice is given, is to happen or which completes the full period required for publication.
Subd. 2. Time for act or proceeding. The time within which an act is to be done or proceeding had or taken, as prescribed by the rules of procedure, shall be computed by excluding the first day and including the last. If the last day is Sunday or a legal holiday the party shall have the next secular day in which to do the act or take the proceeding.

Special Elections Uniform Election Dates

- There are now only 5 uniform election dates on which counties, cities, towns and school districts may hold special elections. These dates fall within the months of February, April, May, August and November. Towns with March general elections may hold special elections for vacancies or questions on the March election date as well.
- Timelines for items such as candidate filing notices, candidate filing periods, canvass board meetings and contest/recount periods have been excluded from the February, April and May uniform election dates because there are too many variables; jurisdiction holding the special election, the type of special election and if the election "standalone" or held "in conjunction" with another jurisdiction.
- Timelines that are universal to all jurisdictions, standalone or those held in conjunction and types of special elections are included.

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January 01, 2024 Monday	January 01, 2024 Monday	New Year's Day Holiday: No public business shall be transacted, except in cases of necessity.	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
January 01, 2024 Monday	January 01, 2024 Monday	Terms begin for school district officers elected at the November 2023 General Election - first Monday in January.	123B.09, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	After the Election
January 01, 2024 Monday	December 31, 2024 Tuesday	Candidate or committee <i>Initial Campaign Financial Report</i> due with 14 days of raising or spending more than \$750 for a <i>new</i> candidate or ballot question campaign <i>anytime</i> within the calendar year. M.S. 211A.02 identified financial reports are required to be submitted until the Final Report is filed for <i>that</i> candidate or ballot question campaign.	211A.02, subd. 1(a)	School Districts with a Primary	Filing
January 01, 2024 Monday	December 31, 2024 Tuesday	Filing officers who receive financial reports as per M.S. 211A.02 must post them on their public websites (if one is maintained) within 30 days of receipt of report. Officer must provide link to that webpage to the Campaign Finance Board. Does not apply to cities or towns with fewer than 400 registered voters as of January 1 of the year of the election. Reports are kept on website for 4 years.	211A.02, subd. 6	School Districts with a Primary	Filing
January 11, 2024 Thursday	January 11, 2024 Thursday	Annual List Maintenance (ALM). After the close of the calendar year, the OSS shall determine if any registrants have not voted during the preceding four years. Those records will be changed to the status of "inactive." The OSS prepares a report to the county auditor containing the names of all registrants whose status was changed to "inactive."	201.171	School Districts with a Primary	Voter Registration

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January 12, 2024 Friday	January 12, 2023 Thursday	Because of the Annual List Maintenance (ALM), if a jurisdiction has sent any Absentee Ballots for February special elections, March town elections, or the Presidential Nomination Primary to <i>registered</i> voters before this date, they should contact the county elections office and verify that those names are not on the <i>inactivation</i> list. If so, the county will need to re-activate the voter's record because they have applied for an Absentee Ballot (completed an election activity that includes signing a certification statement) before the ALM process and, therefore, their record should remain active.	201.171	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot
January 15, 2024 Monday	January 15, 2024 Monday	Martin Luther King Jr. Day Holiday: No public business shall be transacted, except in cases of necessity.	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
January 31, 2024 Wednesday	January 31, 2024 Wednesday	Annual Campaign Finance Reports due if a final report has not been submitted —January 31 of each year.	211A.02, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Filing
February 19, 2024 Monday	February 19, 2024 Monday	Presidents' Day Holiday: No public business shall be transacted, except in cases of necessity.	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
February 27, 2024 Tuesday	February 27, 2024 Tuesday	PRECINCT CAUCUSES. This date is statutorily provided for precinct caucuses for the Major Political Parties (2024 major parties are Legal Marijuana Now, Democratic-Farmer-Labor and Republican) - at 7:00 p.m. on a date chosen by the parties before March 1st of the previous odd-numbered year (major political parties control the proceedings of their caucus--all questions regarding process are directed to the parties themselves).	202A.14, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Caucus

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February 27, 2024 Tuesday	February 27, 2024 Tuesday	PRECINCT CAUCUSES. No special taxing district governing body, school board, county board of commissioners, town board or city council may conduct a public meeting or elementary or secondary school sponsored events can happen after 6:00 p.m. - on the day of major political party precinct caucus meetings.	202A.19, subds. 1 and 5	School Districts with a Primary	Caucus
February 27, 2024 Tuesday	February 27, 2024 Tuesday	PRECINCT CAUCUSES: Every employee who is entitled to attend a major political party precinct caucus is entitled, after giving the employer at least 10 days' written notice, to be absent from work for the purpose of attending during the time the caucus is scheduled without penalty or deduction from salary or wages, other than a deduction in salary for the time of absence from employment.	202A.19, subd. 2	School Districts with a Primary	Caucus
March 05, 2024 Tuesday	March 05, 2024 Tuesday	Presidential Nomination Primary Day: A <i>Presidential Nomination Primary</i> must be held each year in which a president and vice president of the US are to be nominated and elected. If the major parties do not jointly submit a different date by March 1 in a year prior to a presidential election year, the presidential nomination primary must be held on the first Tuesday in March in the year of the presidential election.	207A.11	School Districts with a Primary	Presidential
March 05, 2024 Tuesday	March 05, 2024 Tuesday	Presidential Nomination Primary Day: No public meetings (when <i>an</i> election is being held within jurisdiction) or school events (when a <i>regularly</i> scheduled election is being held within jurisdiction) between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.	204C.03	School Districts with a Primary	Election Day
March 12, 2024 Tuesday	March 12, 2024 Tuesday	March Town Election Day: 2nd Tuesday in March.	205.075, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Election Day

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March 12, 2024 Tuesday	March 12, 2024 Tuesday	March Town Election Day: No public meetings (when <i>an</i> election is being held within jurisdiction) or school events (when a <i>regularly</i> scheduled election is being held within jurisdiction) between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.	204C.03	School Districts with a Primary	Election Day
May 01, 2024 Wednesday	May 01, 2024 Wednesday	Last day for OSS to supply example primary and general ballot to county auditors (no later than May 1). County auditors shall distribute copies of the example ballot to municipal and school district clerks in municipalities and school districts holding elections that year. The official ballot must conform in all respects to the example ballot.	204D.09, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Ballots
May 01, 2024 Wednesday	May 01, 2024 Wednesday	Counties print registration counts by precinct and precinct SD split for ballot rotation programming - 8:00 a.m. on May 1 of the election year.	206.61, subd. 5; 8220.0825	School Districts with a Primary	Voter Registration
May 07, 2024 Tuesday	May 07, 2024 Tuesday	Auditor designates Absentee Ballot polling locations in addition to county auditor's office for State Primary. Provides notice to OSS. There is to be at least 1 electronic ballot marker in each Absentee Ballot polling place - at least 14 weeks before the election.	203B.081, subds. 6 and 8	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot
May 07, 2024 Tuesday	May 07, 2024 Tuesday	Last day for cities and school districts with a primary to <i>publish</i> notice of filing - at least two weeks before filing opens.	205.13, subd. 2; 205A.06, subd. 2	School Districts with a Primary	Notice
May 10, 2024 Friday	May 10, 2024 Friday	Last day for cities and school districts with primaries to <i>post</i> notice of filing - at least 10 days before filing.	205.13, subd. 2; 205A.06, subd. 2	School Districts with a Primary	Notice
May 20, 2024 Monday	May 20, 2024 Monday	Last day for 2024 Legislature to meet in regular session - first Monday following the 3rd Saturday in May of any year.	Minn. Const. Article IV, Section 12	Legislature	Legislature

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May 21, 2024 Tuesday	June 04, 2024 Tuesday	Candidate filing period for federal, state, county, soil and water conservation districts, cities <i>with</i> a primary and school districts <i>with</i> a primary (known as the early filing period) - opens 84 days before election and closes 70 days before election.	103C.305, subd. 2; 204B.09, subd. 1; 205.13, subd. 1a; 205A.06, subd. 1a	School Districts with a Primary	Filing
May 21, 2024 Tuesday	July 02, 2024 Tuesday	Time period to meet with local election officials (including SDs with even-year general elections) to review election procedures (can be earlier than May but we encourage counties to wait until after auditors conference and the legislative session) - at least 18 weeks before the general election.	204B.28, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Election Day
May 21, 2024 Tuesday	November 19, 2024 Tuesday	Candidate or Committee <i>Initial Campaign Financial Report</i> due within 14 days of raising or spending more than \$750 anytime within the calendar year.	211A.02, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Filing
May 21, 2024 Tuesday	December 05, 2024 Thursday	Filing officers who receive financial reports must post them on their public websites (if one is maintained) within 30 days of receipt of report. Provides link to webpage to the Campaign Finance Board. Does not apply to cities or towns with fewer than 400 registered voters as of January 1 of the year of the election. They are kept on website for 4 years.	211A.02, subd. 6	School Districts with a Primary	Filing
May 27, 2024 Monday	May 27, 2024 Monday	Memorial Day Holiday: No public business shall be transacted except in cases of necessity.	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
May 31, 2024 Friday	May 31, 2024 Friday	Last day to provide written notice of <i>State Primary Date</i> special primary or special election to county (if notice is not provided earlier than this date). Last day to provide notice of special election <i>cancellation</i> . Last day for auditor to notify OSS of elections by either confirming the jurisdiction's profile reflects primary-possible or scheduling special election in SVRS – at least 74 days before election.	205.10, subd. 6; 205.16, subds. 4 and 5; 205A.05, subd. 3; 205A.07, subds. 3 and 3b; 447.32, subd. 3	School Districts with a Primary	Notice

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May 31, 2024 Friday	May 31, 2024 Friday	Last day for school district clerk to notify Commissioner of Education of a special school district election scheduled or canceled for primary election day for finance-related questions - at least 74 days before election.	205A.05, subd. 3; 205A.07, subd. 3a	School Districts with a Primary	Notice
June 04, 2024 Tuesday	June 04, 2024 Tuesday	Candidate filing period <i>ends</i> for federal, state, county, soil and water conservation districts, cities <i>with</i> a primary and school districts <i>with</i> a primary (known as the early filing period). Municipal clerk office must be open 1-5 p.m. At all locations for candidate filings, a notary or a person authorized to take oaths must be present - closes 70 days before election.	103C.305, subd. 2; 204B.09, subd. 1; 205.13, subd. 1a; 205A.06, subd. 1a	School Districts with a Primary	Filing
June 04, 2024 Tuesday	June 04, 2024 Tuesday	Last day for OSS to prescribe form for an election summary statement and abstracts - no later than 10 weeks before the state primary.	204C.26, subd. 3	School Districts with a Primary	Election Day
June 06, 2024 Thursday	June 06, 2024 Thursday	Last day for (early filing) candidates to withdraw. Candidates may withdraw until 5:00 p.m. by filing an Affidavit of Withdrawal - within 2 days after filing closes.	205A.06, subd. 5	School Districts with a Primary	Filing
June 06, 2024 Thursday	June 06, 2024 Thursday	Cities and school districts with primary elections send candidate affidavits and affidavits of withdrawal to county auditor for ballot preparation.	Administrative	School Districts with a Primary	Filing
June 07, 2024 Friday	July 02, 2024 Tuesday	Ballot layout begins (or is finalized) for the primaries. The official charged with the prep and distribution of primary ballots shall prepare instructions to the printer for rotation of the names of candidates and for layout of the ballot. The instructions <i>shall be approved by the legal advisor</i> of the official before delivery of instructions (usually means proofs) to the printer.	204D.04, subd. 2	School Districts with a Primary	Ballots

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June 14, 2024 Friday	June 14, 2024 Friday	Last day to post on OSS, county and municipal websites the location, days and times of absentee/early voting locations for the <i>State Primary</i> . If municipality does not have a website, notice is published - at least 14 days before the first day of absentee voting.	203B.081, subd. 7	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot
June 14, 2024 Friday	November 02, 2024 Saturday	Period of time during which election judge training course may be provided - not more than 60 days before the state primary election or fewer than 3 days before the November general elections.	204B.25, subds.1-3; 8240.1300, subp. 4	School Districts with a Primary	Election Judges
June 19, 2024 Wednesday	June 19, 2024 Wednesday	Juneteenth Holiday: No public business shall be transacted except in cases of necessity.	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
June 25, 2024 Tuesday	August 10, 2024 Saturday	Period of time to do public accuracy test of <i>State Primary</i> voting equipment to include tabulator and/or assistive voting devices – at least 3 days before use. Publish notice at least two days <i>before</i> test.	206.83	School Districts with a Primary	Equipment
June 28, 2024 Friday	June 28, 2024 Friday	County auditor shall prepare a sample ballot for each precinct for public inspection and transmit an electronic copy to the OSS. Also posted in auditor's office - 46 days before state primary.	204D.09, subd. 2	School Districts with a Primary	Ballots
June 28, 2024 Friday	June 28, 2024 Friday	County auditor makes master list available for absentee voting - 46 days before state primary elections.	201.091, subd. 2	School Districts with a Primary	Voter Registration
June 28, 2024 Friday	July 30, 2024 Tuesday	Period of time to mail ballots to registered voters in mail precincts for state primary elections (<i>initial mailing</i>) (<i>Note: no later than 14 days before the election, the auditor must make a subsequent mailing of ballots to those voters who register to vote after the initial mailing but before the 20th day before the election.</i>) If the mail ballot envelope is rejected at least 5 days before the election, the ballots in the envelope must be considered spoiled and the auditor or clerk shall provide the voter with a replacement ballot - no earlier than 46 days prior to election and no later than 14 days prior to election.	204B.45, subd. 2	School Districts with a Primary	Mail Elections

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June 28, 2024 Friday	August 12, 2024 Monday	Voters on permanent Absentee voting list are sent State Primary Date ballots (applications no longer sent). Administrators continue to send ballots to voters who choose to be on list through Absentee voting period. Not to be sent to voters in mail ballot precincts - During absentee voting period.	203B.04, subd. 5; 203B.06, subd. 3	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot
June 28, 2024 Friday	August 12, 2024 Monday	Absentee Ballot voting for state primary elections. County auditor's office and municipal clerk's office conducting Absentee Ballot voting must be open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. the Saturday and until 5 p.m. the Monday before state primary election - at least 46 days prior to the state primary election.	203B.05, subd. 1; 203B.085; 204B.35, subd. 4	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot
June 28, 2024 Friday	August 13, 2024 Tuesday	The County Auditor must establish <i>UOCAVA Absentee Ballot board</i> for state primary elections to examine all returned UOCAVA ballot envelopes and accept or reject the UOCAVA ballots. If an envelope has been rejected at least 5 days before the election, the ballots in the envelope must be considered spoiled and the official in charge of the Absentee Ballot board must provide the voter with a replacement absentee ballot and return envelope - during the 45 days before the election the board must <i>immediately</i> examine the return envelopes.	203B.23	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot
June 28, 2024 Friday	November 15, 2024 Friday	Period of time when all noncommercial signs of any <i>size</i> may be posted in any <i>number</i> - beginning 46 days before the state primary in a state general election year until 10 days following the state general.	211B.045	School Districts with a Primary	Campaigns
July 01, 2024 Monday	July 01, 2024 Monday	Date by which Major and Minor Political Parties need to qualify for inclusion on the income tax form and property tax refund return - must qualify as a Major or Minor Political Party by July 1 of the taxable year.	204B.27, subd. 2	Legislature	Election Day
July 01, 2024 Monday	July 01, 2024 Monday	Last day for OSS to make an electronic copy of Minnesota Election Laws available on web site - on or before July 1 of every even numbered year.	204B.27, subd. 2	School Districts with a Primary	Election Day

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July 02, 2024 Tuesday	July 02, 2024 Tuesday	Last day for county auditor to meet or otherwise communicate with local election officials to review election procedures (can be earlier) - at least 18 weeks before the general election.	204B.28, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Election Day
July 04, 2024 Thursday	July 04, 2024 Thursday	Independence Day Holiday: No public business shall be transacted, except in cases of necessity.	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
July 23, 2024 Tuesday	July 23, 2024 Tuesday	Last day to pre-register for <i>State Primary Date</i> elections. Paper applications received in person or by mail have a 5:00 p.m. deadline. Online voter registrations received through OSS secure website have an 11:59 p.m. deadline – closes 21 days before election.	201.061, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Voter Registration
July 24, 2024 Wednesday	July 24, 2024 Wednesday	Last day for operator of a residential facility to provide to the county auditor a certified list of employees eligible to vouch for residents of the facility - no less than 20 days before state primary.	201.061, subd. 3(4)(b)	School Districts with a Primary	Voter Registration
July 24, 2024 Wednesday	August 09, 2024 Friday	Counties produce polling place rosters for primary election <i>after</i> completing all registration-related tasks. <i>VRAs received by OSS</i> by 5:00 p.m. on the 21st day before will be forwarded to appropriate counties as soon as possible. Also, all <i>on-line</i> voter registrations received up until 11:59 p.m. on the 21st day must be processed. Counties might not receive these queued records until a couple days later (security checks). If the OSS is printing rosters, there are deadlines for "locking" the rosters. In order to have 7 a.m. numbers automatically placed into ERS, rosters must be "locked" at least by the Friday before the election.	204B.28, subd. 2; 204C.10; 8200.9115	School Districts with a Primary	Voter Registration
July 29, 2024 Monday	July 29, 2024 Monday	School Districts with referendum votes on primary election day submit a copy of the mailing to property owners to all county auditors and to the Commissioner of Education - At least 15 days before election.	126C.17, subd. 9(e)	School Districts with a Primary	Notice

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July 30, 2024 Tuesday	July 30, 2024 Tuesday	Last day for cities and school districts with primaries to publish 1st of 2 <i>notices of primary election</i> (exception for cities of the 4th class - may dispense with published notice but then <i>must</i> post notice) - 2 weeks' published notice.	205.16, subd. 1; 205A.07, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Notice
July 30, 2024 Tuesday	July 30, 2024 Tuesday	If mail ballots <i>have not been sent yet</i> , last day to send mail ballots to those voters in a mail ballot precinct with a primary election who are registered to vote - no later than 14 days before the election.	204B.45, subd. 2	School Districts with a Primary	Mail Elections
July 30, 2024 Tuesday	July 30, 2024 Tuesday	Last day for County Auditor to designate location for Absentee Ballot voting for <i>November general elections</i> . The county auditor must make available at least 1 electronic ballot marker in each Absentee Ballot polling place - at least 14 weeks before election.	203B.081, subd. 6	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot
August 02, 2024 Friday	August 02, 2024 Friday	Last day for cities and school districts with primaries to <i>post</i> notice of primary election (<i>Required for school districts and 4th class cities who dispensed with published notice</i>) - 10 days before election.	205.16, subd. 1; 205A.07, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Notice
August 02, 2024 Friday	August 02, 2024 Friday	If initial report has been filed, campaign finance reports due - 10 days before primary.	211A.02	School Districts with a Primary	Filing
August 06, 2024 Tuesday	August 06, 2024 Tuesday	County auditor makes updated master list available for absentee voting - 7 days before primary elections.	201.091, subd. 2	School Districts with a Primary	Voter Registration
August 06, 2024 Tuesday	August 06, 2024 Tuesday	Last day for cities and school districts with primaries to publish 2nd of 2 notices of primary election (exception for cities of the 4th class - may dispense with published notice but then <i>must</i> post notice) - 2 weeks' published notice.	205.16, subd. 1; 205A.07, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Notice

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August 06, 2024 Tuesday	August 13, 2024 Tuesday	Period of time for agent delivery of Absentee Ballots to a voter who would have difficulty getting to the polls because of incapacitating health reasons, or who is disabled, or who is a patient of a health care facility, a resident of a facility providing assisted living services, a participant in a residential program for adults or a resident of a shelter for battered women. The agent must have a preexisting relationship with the voter. Deadline is 8 p.m. election day - During the 7 days preceding an election.	203B.11, subd. 4	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot
August 08, 2024 Thursday	August 13, 2024 Tuesday	If an Absentee or Mail Ballot envelope is rejected within 5 days of the election, the envelope must remain sealed and the official in charge of the ballot board must attempt to contact the voter by telephone or e-mail to notify the voter of the rejected ballot. The official MUST document the attempts made to contact the voter - within 5 days of the election.	203B.121, subd. 2(c)(3); 204B.45, subd. 2	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee and Mail Ballot
August 09, 2024 Friday	August 09, 2024 Friday	Last day to post primary sample ballot in school district clerk's office - at least 4 days before election.	205A.07, subd. 2	School Districts with a Primary	Notice
August 10, 2024 Saturday	August 10, 2024 Saturday	Last day to do public accuracy test of <i>State Primary Date</i> voting equipment of tabulator and/or assistive voting devices - at least 3 days before use. Publish <i>notice</i> at least 2 days before test.	206.83	School Districts with a Primary	Equipment
August 10, 2024 Saturday	August 10, 2024 Saturday	Absentee Ballot voting locations for the primary must be open from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for acceptance of absentee ballot applications and casting of absentee ballots - on the Saturday immediately preceding the election.	203B.085	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot
August 12, 2024 Monday	August 12, 2024 Monday	Last day to apply for absentee ballots. See M.S. 203B.04, subd. 2 and 203B.11, subs. 3 and 4 for exceptions.	203B.04, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot

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August 12, 2024 Monday	August 12, 2024 Monday	Primary Absentee Ballot voting locations open until 5:00 p.m. on the day immediately preceding the election for acceptance of absentee ballot applications and casting of absentee ballots.	203B.085	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot
August 13, 2024 Tuesday	August 13, 2024 Tuesday	STATE PRIMARY ELECTION DAY: The second Tuesday in August. Minimum voting hours are 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Except for non-metro towns with less than 500 inhabitants who have voted to open no later than 10 a.m. Except for unorganized territories whose residents have petitioned to open no later than 10 a.m.	204D.03, subd. 1; 205.065, subd. 1; 205A.03, subd. 2	School Districts with a Primary	Election Day
August 13, 2024 Tuesday	August 13, 2024 Tuesday	STATE PRIMARY ELECTION DAY: <i>Agent delivery of absentee ballots to a voter who would have difficulty getting to the polls because of incapacitating health reasons, or who is disabled, or who is a patient of a health care facility, a resident of a facility providing assisted living services, a participant in a residential program for adults or a resident of a shelter for battered women. The agent must have a preexisting relationship with the voter. Deadline to return voted ballots is 8 p.m. on Election Day.</i>	203B.11, subd. 4	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot
August 13, 2024 Tuesday	August 13, 2024 Tuesday	STATE PRIMARY ELECTION DAY: Returned voted Absentee Ballots must arrive by 8:00 p.m. to be counted.	203B.08, subds. 1 and 3	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot
August 13, 2024 Tuesday	August 13, 2024 Tuesday	STATE PRIMARY ELECTION DAY: Between 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. No special taxing district, governing body, school board, county board of commissioners, city council or town board shall conduct a meeting. Except for regularly scheduled classes, no Minnesota state college or university shall schedule an event. Except for regularly scheduled classes, a public elementary or secondary school may not schedule a school sponsored event - between 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on primary election day.	204C.03	School Districts with a Primary	Election Day

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August 13, 2024 Tuesday	August 14, 2024 Wednesday	After polls close on Election Day, at least two members of the ballot board must count the Absentee Ballots. Totals for each candidate/question in each precinct. The count must be recorded on a summary statement. May have up to 24 hours--see M.S. 203B.121, subd. 5 for greater details.	203B.121, subd. 5	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot
August 15, 2024 Thursday	August 15, 2024 Thursday	Ballot layout begins (or is finalized) for the general elections. The official charged with the preparation and distribution of general ballots shall prepare instructions to the printer for rotation of the names of candidates and for layout of the ballot. The instructions <i>shall be approved by the legal advisor</i> of the official before delivery of instructions (usually means proofs) to the printer.	204D.04, subd. 2	School Districts with a Primary	Ballots
August 15, 2024 Thursday	August 16, 2024 Friday	City and school district canvass of local primary results. Municipal may hold their canvass on the 2nd or 3rd day after primary. When SD primary is held in conjunction with the state primary, the canvass MUST be conducted on the third day after the primary. Unless the county auditor of <i>each county</i> (SDs only) agrees to a canvass on the 2nd day.	205.065, subd. 5; 205A.03, subd. 4(a)(2) and (b)	School Districts with a Primary	After the Election
August 15, 2024 Thursday	August 21, 2024 Wednesday	Time period for county, city and school district primary offices/questions to request a recount. During the time of contest. Request is filed with the clerk of the jurisdiction - <i>by 5:00 p.m.</i> within 5 days of canvass.	204C.36, subd. 1(d); 209.021, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	After the Election
August 15, 2024 Thursday	August 31, 2024 Saturday	School Districts with referendum votes on primary election day notify the Commissioner of Education of the results - within 15 days after the results have been certified (if there is not a recount).	127C.17, subd. 9(e)	School Districts with a Primary	Notice

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August 23, 2024 Friday	August 23, 2024 Friday	Last day for municipalities, school districts and hospital districts to notify (or to cancel) county auditor of elections to be held on general election day. Last day for county auditor to notify OSS. Last day for school district to notify Commissioner of Education about financial-related ballot questions – at least 74 days before election.	205.16, subds. 4 and 5; 205A.07, subds. 3, 3a and 3b; 447.32, subd. 3	School Districts with a Primary	Notice
August 27, 2024 Tuesday	August 27, 2024 Tuesday	Last day to give notice of mail ballot procedures - 10 weeks before the general.	204B.45, subd. 2; 8210.3000, subp. 3	School Districts with a Primary	Mail Elections
September 02, 2024 Monday	September 02, 2024 Monday	Labor Day Holiday: No public business shall be transacted, except in cases of necessity.	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
September 06, 2024 Friday	September 06, 2024 Friday	Last day to post on OSS, county and municipal websites the location, days and times of absentee/early voting locations for the <i>November general elections</i> . If municipality does not have a website, notice is published - at least 14 days before the first day of absentee voting.	203B.081, subd. 7	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot
September 17, 2024 Tuesday	November 02, 2024 Saturday	Period of time to do public accuracy test of <i>November general elections</i> voting equipment to include tabulator and/or assistive voting devices – at least 3 days before use. Publish notice at least two days <i>before</i> test.	206.83	School Districts with a Primary	Equipment
September 20, 2024 Friday	September 20, 2024 Friday	County auditor shall post sample ballots for each precinct in the auditor's office for public inspection and transmit an electronic copy to the OSS - at least 46 days before the state general election.	204D.16(a)	School Districts with a Primary	Notice

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September 20, 2024 Friday	October 22, 2024 Tuesday	Period of time to mail ballots to registered voters in mail precincts (<i>initial mailing</i>) (<i>Note: no later than 14 days before the election, the auditor must make a subsequent mailing of ballots to those voters who register to vote after the initial mailing but before the 20th day before the election.</i>) If an envelope is rejected at least 5 days before the election, the ballots in the envelope must be considered spoiled and the auditor or clerk shall provide the voter with a replacement ballot - no earlier than 46 days prior to election and no later than 14 days prior to election.	204B.45, subd. 2	School Districts with a Primary	Mail Elections
September 20, 2024 Friday	November 04, 2024 Monday	Voters on permanent Absentee voting list are sent November General Election Date ballots (applications no longer sent). Administrators continue to send ballots to voters who choose to be on list through Absentee voting period. Not to be sent to voters in mail ballot precincts - During absentee voting period.	203B.04, subd. 5; 203B.06, subd. 3	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot
September 20, 2024 Friday	November 04, 2024 Monday	Absentee voting for general elections. County auditor's office and municipal clerk's office conducting Absentee Ballot voting must be open for extra hours before a State General Election. See M.S. 203B.085, subd. 1 for listing of extra hours - at least 46 days prior to the general election.	203B.05, subd. 1; 203B.085; 204B.35, subd. 4	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot

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September 20, 2024 Friday	November 05, 2024 Tuesday	The County Auditor must establish UOCAVA absentee ballot board for the odd-year general elections to examine all returned UOCAVA absentee ballot envelopes and accept or reject the absentee ballots. If an envelope has been rejected at least five days before the election, the ballots in the envelope must be considered spoiled and the official in charge of the absentee ballot board must provide the voter with a replacement absentee ballot and return envelope - during the 45 days before the election the board must immediately examine the return envelopes.	203B.23	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot
October 14, 2024 Monday	October 14, 2024 Monday	Indigenous Peoples Holiday: Political subdivisions have the option of determining whether this shall be a holiday on which no business shall be transacted. Where it is determined that it is not a holiday, public business may be conducted.	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
October 15, 2024 Tuesday	October 15, 2024 Tuesday	Last day to pre-register for November general elections – in-person drop off closes at 5:00 p.m. Online registration closes at 11:59 p.m. 21 days before election.	201.061, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Voter Registration
October 16, 2024 Wednesday	October 26, 2024 Saturday	Time period for county auditor to publish in at least one newspaper of general circulation the Notice to Voters pursuant to M.S. 204D.16(c) - No earlier than 20 days and no later than 10 days before the state general election.	204D.16(b) and (c)	School Districts with a Primary	Notice

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October 16, 2024 Wednesday	November 01, 2024 Friday	Counties produce polling place rosters for primary election <i>after</i> completing all registration-related tasks. <i>VRAs received by OSS</i> by 5:00 p.m. on the 21st day before will be forwarded to appropriate counties as soon as possible. Also, all <i>on-line</i> voter registrations received up until 11:59 p.m. on the 21st day must be processed. Counties might not receive these queued records until a couple days later (security checks). If the OSS is printing rosters, there are deadlines for "locking" the rosters. In order to have 7 a.m. numbers automatically placed into ERS, rosters must be "locked" at least by the Friday before the election.	204B.28, subd. 2; 204C.10; 8200.9115	School Districts with a Primary	Voter Registration
October 21, 2024 Monday	October 21, 2024 Monday	School Districts with referendum votes on general election day submit a copy of the mailing to property owners to all county auditors and to the Commissioner of Education - At least 15 days before election.	126C.17, subd. 9(e)	School Districts with a Primary	Notice
October 22, 2024 Tuesday	October 22, 2024 Tuesday	Last day for municipalities and school districts with general elections to publish 1st of 2 notices of general election (exception for cities of the 4th class and non-metro towns - may dispense with published notice but then must post notice) - 2 weeks' published notice.	205.16, subd. 1; 205A.07, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Notice
October 22, 2024 Tuesday	October 22, 2024 Tuesday	If mail ballots <i>have not been sent yet</i> , last day to send general election mail ballots to those voters in a mail ballot precinct who are registered to vote - no later than 14 days before the election.	204B.45, subd. 2	School Districts with a Primary	Mail Elections
October 25, 2024 Friday	October 25, 2024 Friday	Last day for municipalities and school districts with general elections to <i>post</i> notice of general election (<i>Required for school districts, 4th class cities who dispensed with published notice, and non-metro towns that dispensed with publication</i>) - 10 days before election.	205.16, subd. 1; 205A.07, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Notice

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October 25, 2024 Friday	October 25, 2024 Friday	Campaign finance reports due - 10 days before the general election.	211A.02	School Districts with a Primary	Filing
October 26, 2024 Saturday	October 26, 2024 Saturday	Absentee Ballot voting locations for the State General Election must be open from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for acceptance of absentee ballot applications and casting of absentee ballots - on the 2 Saturdays before the State General Election.	203B.085, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot
October 29, 2024 Tuesday	October 29, 2024 Tuesday	Last day for municipalities and school districts with general elections to publish 2nd of 2 notices of general election (exception for cities of the 4th class and non-metro towns - may dispense with published notice but then must post notice) - 2 weeks' published notice.	205.16, subd. 1; 205A.07, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Notice
October 29, 2024 Tuesday	October 29, 2024 Tuesday	Absentee Ballot voting locations for the State General Election must be open until 7 p.m. for acceptance of absentee ballot applications and casting of absentee ballots -on the Tuesday before the State General Election.	203B.085, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot
October 29, 2024 Tuesday	November 05, 2024 Tuesday	Period of time for <i>agent delivery</i> of absentee ballots to a voter who would have difficulty getting to the polls because of incapacitating health reasons, or who is disabled, or who is a patient of a health care facility, a resident of a facility providing assisted living services, a participant in a residential program for adults or a resident of a shelter for battered women. The agent must have a preexisting relationship with the voter. Deadline is 8 p.m. election day - During the 7 days preceding an election.	203B.11, subd. 4	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot
November 01, 2024 Friday	November 01, 2024 Friday	Last day to <i>post</i> general sample ballot in school district clerk's office - at least 4 days before election.	205A.07, subd. 2	School Districts with a Primary	Notice

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November 02, 2024 Saturday	November 02, 2024 Saturday	Absentee Ballot voting locations for the State General Election must be open from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for acceptance of absentee ballot applications and casting of absentee ballots - on the 2 Saturdays before the State General Election.	203B.085, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot
November 02, 2024 Saturday	November 02, 2024 Saturday	Last day to do public accuracy test of <i>November General Election Date</i> voting equipment of tabulator and/or assistive voting devices - at least 3 days before use. Publish <i>notice</i> at least 2 days before test.	206.83	School Districts with a Primary	Equipment
November 03, 2024 Sunday	November 03, 2024 Sunday	Absentee Ballot voting locations for the State General Election must be open from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for acceptance of absentee ballot applications and casting of absentee ballots - on the Sunday immediately before the State General Election.	203B.085, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot
November 04, 2024 Monday	November 04, 2024 Monday	Last day to apply for absentee ballots. Must be open until 5 p.m. See M.S. 203B.04, subd. 2 and 203B.11, subs. 3 and 4 for exceptions.	203B.04, subd. 1; 204B.085, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot
November 05, 2024 Tuesday	November 05, 2024 Tuesday	STATE GENERAL ELECTION DAY: First Tuesday after the first Monday in November. Minimum voting hours are 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Except for non-metro towns with less than 500 inhabitants who have voted to open no later than 10 a.m. Except for unorganized territories whose residents have petitioned to open no later than 10 a.m.	103C.305, subd. 1; 204C.05; 204D.03, subd. 2; 205.07, subd. 1; 205A.04, subd. 1; 447.32, subd. 2	School Districts with a Primary	Election Day
November 05, 2024 Tuesday	November 05, 2024 Tuesday	STATE GENERAL ELECTION DAY: Voted Absentee Ballots can be returned by the voter or agent, in person, until 8:00 p.m. If delivered by mail or a package delivery service, ballot must arrive by 8:00 p.m.	203B.08, subs. 1 and 3	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot

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November 05, 2024 Tuesday	November 05, 2024 Tuesday	STATE GENERAL ELECTION DAY: Between 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. No special taxing district, governing body, school board, county board of commissioners, city council or town board shall conduct a meeting. Except for regularly scheduled classes, no Minnesota state college or university shall schedule an event. Except for regularly scheduled classes, a public elementary or secondary school may not schedule a school sponsored event - between 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on general election day.	204C.03	School Districts with a Primary	Election Day
November 05, 2024 Tuesday	November 06, 2024 Wednesday	After polls close on Election Day, at least two members of the ballot board must count the Absentee Ballots. Totals for each candidate/question in each precinct. The count must be recorded on a summary statement. May have up to 24 hours--see M.S. 203B.121, subd. 5 for greater details.	203B.121, subd. 5	School Districts with a Primary	Absentee Ballot
November 08, 2024 Friday	November 15, 2024 Friday	Time period for Cities, Towns with November Elections, School Districts and Hospital Districts to canvass results of general election - between the 3rd and 10th day following general election.	205.185, subd. 3; 205A.10, subd. 3; 447.32, subd. 4	School Districts with a Primary	After the Election
November 11, 2024 Monday	November 11, 2024 Monday	Veterans Day Holiday: No public business shall be transacted, except in cases of necessity.	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
November 12, 2024 Tuesday	November 12, 2024 Tuesday	Last day for candidate to file <i>Campaign Financial Report Certification of Filing</i> form - within 7 days of general election.	211A.05	School Districts with a Primary	Filing
November 15, 2024 Friday	November 15, 2024 Friday	Last day of period of time when all noncommercial signs of any size may be posted in any number whether or not the municipal has an ordinance that regulates the size or number of noncommercial signs - from 46 days before the state primary until 10 days following the state general.	211B.045	School Districts with a Primary	Campaigns

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November 15, 2024 Friday	November 22, 2024 Friday	Last day to request a recount in writing for county, soil and water, municipal, school district and hospital district offices. And for county, municipal, school district and hospital district ballot questions - within 7 days of canvass.	204C.36; 209.021, subd. 1; 447.32, subd. 3	School Districts with a Primary	After the Election
November 16, 2024 Saturday	November 22, 2024 Friday	First day to issue certificate of election for municipal, school district and hospital district offices - after the time for contesting elections has passed. Clerk issues certificate if the candidate has filed Certificate of Filing form and if the losing candidate has not requested a recount and/or provided a notice of contest.	204C.36; 205.185, subd. 3; 205A.10, subd. 3; 209.021, subd. 1; 211A.05, subd. 1; 447.32, subd. 4	School Districts with a Primary	After the Election
November 16, 2024 Saturday	December 23, 2024 Monday	Newly elected school district officers file acceptance of office with school clerk within 30 days of receiving certificate of election.	205A.10, subd. 3	School Districts with a Primary	After the Election
November 23, 2024 Saturday	November 30, 2024 Saturday	School Districts with referendum votes on primary election day notify the Commissioner of Education of the results - within 15 days after the results have been certified (if there is not a recount).	127C.17, subd. 9(e)	School Districts with a Primary	Notice
November 28, 2024 Thursday	November 28, 2024 Thursday	Thanksgiving Holiday: No public business shall be transacted, except in cases of necessity.	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
November 29, 2024 Friday	November 29, 2024 Friday	Day After Thanksgiving Holiday: Political subdivisions have the option of determining whether Friday after Thanksgiving day shall be a holiday. Where it is determined that day after Thanksgiving is not a holiday, public business may be conducted.	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
December 05, 2024 Thursday	December 05, 2024 Thursday	Campaign financial reports due - 30 days after November general election.	211A.02, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Filing
December 25, 2024 Wednesday	December 25, 2024 Wednesday	Christmas Day Holiday: No public business shall be transacted, except in cases of necessity.	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday

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December 31, 2024 Tuesday	December 31, 2024 Tuesday	School boards must designate, by resolution, combined polling places for standalone elections the next calendar year. Combined polling place must be at a location designated for use as a polling place by a county or municipality. If this is not done, all municipal polling places must be used - by December 31 of each year.	205A.11, subd. 2	School Districts with a Primary	Polling Place
January 01, 2025 Wednesday	January 01, 2025 Wednesday	New Year's Day Holiday: No public business shall be transacted, except in cases of necessity.	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
January 01, 2025 Wednesday	December 31, 2025 Wednesday	Candidate or committee <i>Initial Campaign Financial Report</i> due with 14 days of raising or spending more than \$750 for a <i>new</i> candidate or ballot question campaign <i>anytime</i> within the calendar year. M.S. 211A.02 identified financial reports are required to be submitted until the Final Report is filed for <i>that</i> candidate or ballot question campaign.	211A.02, subd. 1(a)	School Districts with a Primary	Filing
January 01, 2025 Wednesday	December 31, 2025 Wednesday	Filing officers who receive financial reports as per M.S. 211A.02 must post them on their public websites (if one is maintained) within 30 days of receipt of report. Officer must provide link to that webpage to the Campaign Finance Board. Does not apply to cities or towns with fewer than 400 registered voters as of January 1 of the year of the election. Reports are kept on website for 4 years.	211A.02, subd. 6	School Districts with a Primary	Filing
January 06, 2025 Monday	January 06, 2025 Monday	Terms begin for legislators, judges, county, soil and water conversation district, city, town, school district and hospital district officers elected at the November elections - 1st Monday in January of the year following their election.	103C.315, subd. 2; 123B.09, subd. 1; 204D.02, subd. 2; 367.03, subd. 4; 412.02, subd. 2; 447.32, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	After the Election

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January 20, 2025 Monday	January 20, 2025 Monday	Martin Luther King Jr. Day Holiday: No public business shall be transacted, except in cases of necessity.	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
January 31, 2025 Friday	January 31, 2025 Friday	Annual campaign financial reports due - January 31st of each year.	211A.02, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Filing
February 17, 2025 Monday	February 17, 2025 Monday	Presidents' Day Holiday: No public business shall be transacted, except in cases of necessity.	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
March 11, 2025 Tuesday	March 11, 2025 Tuesday	TOWNSHIP ELECTION DAY: 2nd Tuesday in March.	205.075, subd. 1	School Districts with a Primary	Election Day