

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR CIRCULATING AND FILING NOMINATION PETITIONS
MUNICIPAL PRIMARY ELECTION - MAY 19, 2026**

PRIOR TO CIRCULATION OF PETITION

All blank spaces which appear on the top of the front page of the petition must be completed **BEFORE** signatures are obtained.

Typewrite or print the name of the candidate on the face of the petition **EXACTLY** as the candidate wants it to appear on the ballot. A nickname is allowed only if it is a derivative of the legal given name. If a married woman is a candidate, her first name should be used on the petition. (Mary Jones, not Mrs. John Jones)

Make sure the Ward and District, the municipality and School District is set forth correctly on the face of the petition, as well as the office title, political party and number of years in the term of office.

SIGNERS:

Each signer may sign petitions for as many candidates for each office as he/she is permitted to vote for and no more.

Each signer of a petition must be a registered and enrolled member of the party referred to in the petition. (Republican electors may only sign a Republican petition. Democratic electors may only sign a Democratic petition.)

Each Signer must personally insert the information concerning residence, and date of signing. Signers should list their house number, street, and their municipality (city, borough or township) in the appropriate blocks under "PLACE OF RESIDENCE".

The date of signing may be used in words or numbers. (February 14, 2026 or 2/14/26.)

Do not include a social security number on the Nomination Petition affidavits, S/S is a legal symbol for "Sworn and Subscribed to" not Social Security Number. Note that Nomination Petitions and all attachments are public record.

DITTO MARKS ARE NOT PERMITTED AND WHITE OUT IS NOT PERMITTED

STATEMENT OF CIRCULATOR

MUST be COMPLETED and SIGNED AFTER the petition is circulated and must be executed on each petition sheet.

CANDIDATE'S AFFIDAVIT

COMPLETE the Candidate's Affidavit and have it notarized AFTER carefully reviewing and reading the affidavit.

ALL MUNICIPAL PETITIONS MUST BE FILED WITH THE VOTER SERVICES OFFICE, Lawrence County Government Center, 430 Court St., New Castle, PA 16101 by 4:00 P.M. on March 10, 2026.

NOTE: ALL dates and information contained herein are subject to change without notice. ALL PETITIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE FILING, INCLUDING ALL NOTARIZATIONS OF ALL AFFIDAVITS.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, OR NEED ASSISTANCE, PLEASE CONTACT THE ELECTIONS OFFICE AT 656-2145, OR 656-2177.

Web Site for elections is <https://lawrencecountypa.gov/> - click on Voter Services

LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE BUREAU OF ELECTIONS

2026 PENNSYLVANIA ELECTIONS IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

First day to circulate and file nomination petitions	February 17
Last day to circulate and file nomination petitions	March 10
First day to circulate and file nomination papers	March 11
Last day to file objections to nomination petitions	March 17
Ballot lottery	March 18
Last day for withdrawal by candidates who filed nomination petitions without a court order	March 25
Last day to REGISTER to vote in the primary	May 4
Last day to apply for a mail-in or civilian absentee ballot	May 12
Last day for County Boards of Elections to receive voted mail-in and civilian absentee ballots (must be received by 8:00 P.M.)	May 19
GENERAL PRIMARY	May 19
Last day for County Boards of Elections to receive voted military and overseas absentee ballots (submitted for delivery no later than 11:59 P.M. on May 18)	May 26
Last day to circulate and file nomination papers	August 3
Last day to file objections to nomination paper	August 10
Last day for withdrawal by candidates nominated by nomination papers without a court order	August 10
Last day for withdrawal by candidates nominated at the primary without a court order	August 10
Last day to REGISTER to vote in the November election	October 19
Last day to apply for a mail-in or civilian absentee ballot	October 27
Last day for County Boards of Elections to receive voted mail-in and civilian absentee ballots (must be received by 8:00 P.M.)	November 3
GENERAL ELECTION	November 3
Last day for County Boards of Elections to receive voted military and overseas absentee ballots (submitted for delivery no later than 11:59 P.M. on November 2)	November 10

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