



Candidate Filing 2024

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Acronyms

- CAN = Candidate
- CAN-12= Statement of Economic Interests for Local Offices (NOT used by candidates for judge or prosecuting attorney)
- CEB = County Election Board
- D/R = Democratic and Republican Parties
- L = Libertarian Party
- Party Office = Precinct Committeeman or State Convention Delegate
- PC = precinct committeeman

This slide deck is NOT a comprehensive list of all filing deadlines!

The 2024 Candidate Guide & 2024 Indiana Election Calendar: Election Administrator's Edition are good resources for county election officials and candidates.

D/R Primary Election Candidate Filing Timeline

January 10, 2024: Filing Opens

January 30, 2024 (NOON): Deadline for CAN-8 petitions for US President to be filed with county VR for certification

February 6, 2024 (NOON): Deadline for CAN-4 petitions for US Senate & CAN-25 petition for Governor to be filed with county VR for certification

February 9, 2024 (NOON): Deadline for D/R candidates, including party offices, to file for May primary election

February 16, 2024 (NOON): Deadline for D/R candidates to withdraw using CAN-10 from May primary election

February 16, 2024 (NOON): Deadline for county chair or voter of the election district to file CAN-1 challenge

February 22, 2024 (NOON): Deadline for candidate for US President to withdraw from primary election

February 29, 2024: Deadline for CEB to resolve CAN-1 challenge

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- *D/R Parties can fill ballot vacancies where no one ran in the primary election on or after May 8, 2024, through noon, July 3, 2024*
 - *D/R Parties may fill other early or late ballot vacancies, if a candidate withdraws for example*



Libertarian Party Candidate Filing Timeline

Bona Fide Political Party

- Ballot access for the November general election is by a convention process, not a primary election
- Candidate filing is generally handled through the party until after the convention
- CAN-23 certification of nomination & SEI are filed not later than noon, July 15 for federal, state, state legislative, and judicial candidate nominated at party convention
- CAN-22 certification of nomination & CAN-12 are filed not later than noon, July 3 for local candidate nominated at party convention

Libertarian Party CAN fill ballot vacancies post convention!

- Party must give at least ten days' notice of their intent to fill
 - No state form; signed written notice is sufficient
- The deadline to fill the vacancies AND file CAN-32 & CAN-12 for local offices is noon, July 3, 2024

Minor Party/Independent Candidate Filing Timeline

January 10, 2024: Filing Opens

July 1, 2024 (NOON): Deadline to file CAN-21 petitions with county VR for certification, if minor party/independent candidate wants name printed on ballot for a local office

July 3, 2024 (NOON): Deadline to file CAN-3 declared write-in form, if minor party/independent candidates does NOT want name printed on ballot

July 15, 2024 (NOON): Deadline to file certified CAN-21 petitions & CAN-20 consent form to run for local office

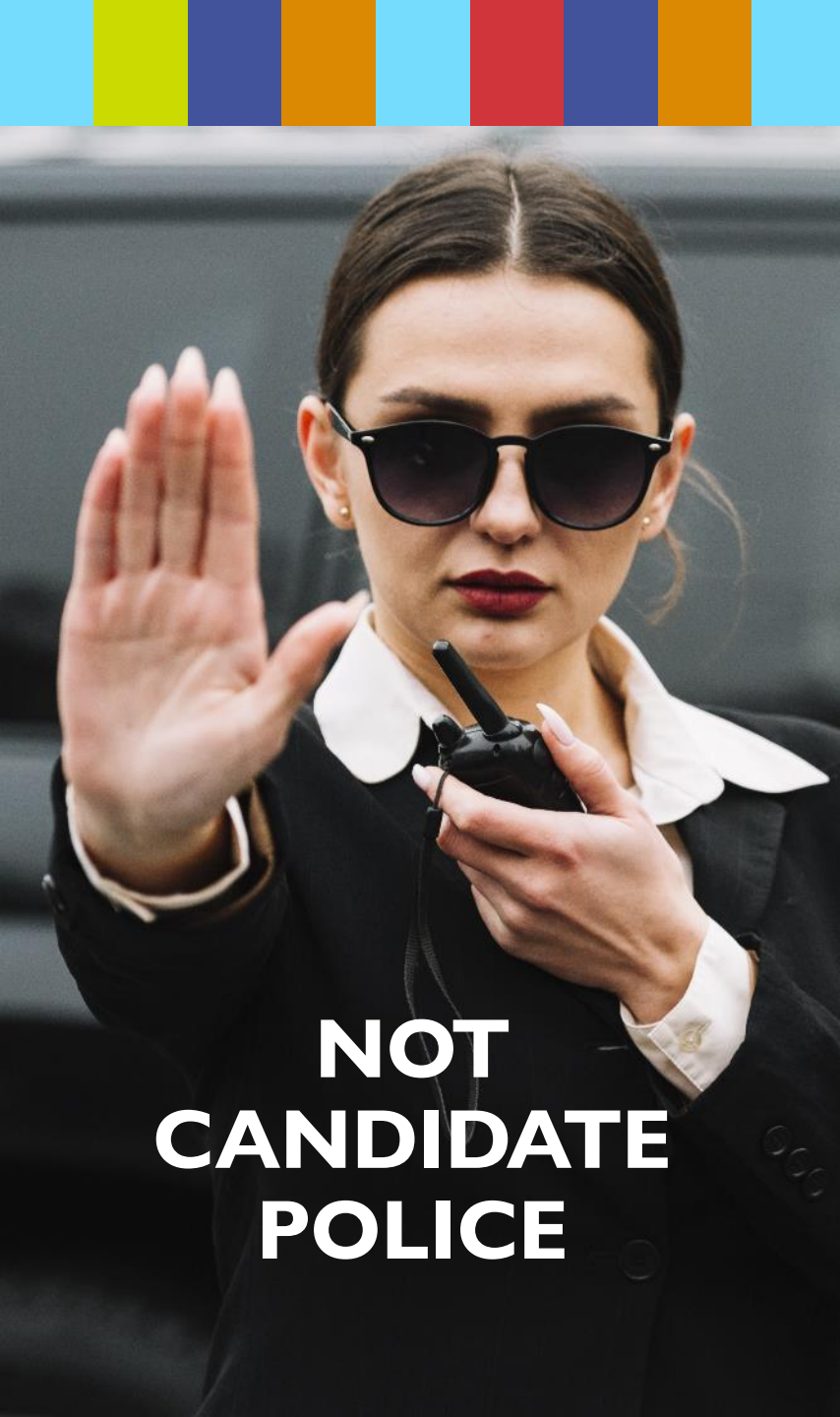
School Board Candidate Filing Timeline

May 21, 2024: Filing Opens for CAN-34 petition & consent + CAN-12

June 20, 2024 (NOON): Deadline to file CAN-34 & CAN-12 forms

Note: School Board write-in candidates have different filing period





**NOT
CANDIDATE
POLICE**

MUST REJECT CANDIDATE FILINGS IF:

- Presented AFTER deadline for filing
- Missing CAN-12 (or statement of economic interests) from declaration
- Filed on old version of form
- Filed in wrong office (ex: form filed with IED that should be filed with CEB)
- For ballot vacancies, call to caucus (CAN-30) or candidate declaration (CAN-31) was not timely filed before the candidate selection form (CAN-29)
- Petition carrier on the petition of nomination is not completed before petition filing deadline
- Not enough valid petition signatures are gathered for minor party/independent candidates or school board candidates



CANDIDATE QUALIFICATIONS

Questions? Direct candidates to *2024 Candidate Guide*

- Details requirements for candidates to run for a specific office, including forms and filing dates

MOST, but not all, candidates must be registered to vote in the election district before filing ends

- Registration status should not be in pending or cancelled status
- Do NOT reject filing for lack of registration! Instead, candidate can be challenged
 - Enter in SVRS using “add candidate filing” feature that does not associate to registration

For MAY PRIMARY ELECTION ONLY, D/R candidates MUST meet vote history requirement

- Last TWO primary elections in Indiana in which the candidate voted must align with the same party the candidate seeks to run for the party’s nomination
 - NOT last two years; last TWO times person pulled a D or R ballot based on their primary voting history
- D/R candidates without proper vote history can seek certification of county chair where candidate resides
 - MUST be attached to candidate’s declaration/consent form
 - Do NOT reject if missing; instead, candidate can be challenged

D/R State Party Rules establish qualifications for party offices (PC, delegate)

- Questions should go to county/district/state party for clarification

Candidate Name Designations

1 First Designation

- Candidate's legal given name OR initial of candidate's legal given name OR
- Candidate's legal middle name OR initial of candidate's legal given name OR
- Candidate's nickname

2 Second Designation

If not used in the first designation....

- Candidate's legal middle name OR initial of candidate's legal given name OR
- Candidate's nickname OR
- Candidate's surname

3 Third Designation

If not used in the first or second designation

- Candidate's nickname OR
- Candidate's legal surname

4 Fourth Designation

If not used in the first or second or third designation

- Candidate's nickname OR
- Candidate's legal surname

5 Fifth Designation

- Suffix

Candidate Name Designations

CANDIDATE NAME INFORMATION

I request that my name appear on the primary election ballot in the following manner as described in IC 3-5-7:

First Designation	Second Designation	Third Designation	Fourth Designation	Suffix
<p>This can be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The candidate's legal given name. The initial of the candidate's legal given name. The candidate's legal middle name. The initial of the candidate's legal middle name. The candidate's nickname. 	<p>This can be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The candidate's legal middle name. The initial of the candidate's legal middle name. The candidate's nickname. The candidate's legal surname. 	<p>If not used in the first or second designation, this can be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The candidate's nickname. The candidate's legal surname 	<p>If not used in the third designation, this can be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The candidate's nickname. The candidate's legal surname 	<p>Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jr. or III <p>CANNOT be a title or degree such as MD, JD</p>

I also request that my name on my voter registration record be the same as the name on this declaration of candidacy. (IC 3-8-2-7(c))

Primary Ballot Candidate Order: Listed ALPHABETICALLY BY SURNAME

- Form design requires candidates to list their designation to take guess work out for county officials

All NICKNAMES must go in (PARENTHESES)

- Parentheses not required when nickname is used in first designation
- Must be a nickname candidate is commonly known
- Limited to 20 characters
- Cannot use Title or Degree

Candidate Name does NOT have to match registration

- Instead, registration updated to reflect candidate name

Questions

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