

# November 8, 2022 General Election Calendar of Important Dates and Deadlines

Candidates for:

Delegate to the United States House of Representatives

Mayor of the District of Columbia

Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia

At-large Member of the Council of the District of Columbia (Two seats)

Ward Member of the Council of the District of Columbia (Wards 1, 3, 5 & 6)

Attorney General for the District of Columbia

United States Representative

Ward Member of the State Board of Education (Wards 1, 3, 5 & 6)

Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner

### Friday, June 17, 2022

Board determines signature requirements and makes petitions available for the following offices: [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.08(j)(1), (n)(B) (144 days before the election)]:

Delegate to the U.S. House of Representatives – 3,000 or 1.5% (whichever is less) of the total number of registered qualified electors in the District of Columbia [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(j)(1)(B); 3 DCMR § 1603.3].

Mayor of the District of Columbia – 3,000 or 1.5% (whichever is less) of the total number of registered qualified electors in the District of Columbia [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(j)(1)(B); 3 DCMR § 1603.3].

Chairman of the Council -3,000 or 1.5% (whichever is less) of the total number of registered qualified electors in the District of Columbia [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(j)(1)(B); 3 DCMR § 1603.3].

At-large Member of the Council -3,000 or 1.5% (whichever is less) of the total number of registered qualified electors in the District of Columbia [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(j)(1)(B); 3 DCMR § 1603.3].

Ward Member of the Council – 500 signatures of registered qualified electors who reside in the ward from which the candidate seeks election [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(j)(1)(B); 3 DCMR § 1603.4].

Attorney General for the District of Columbia -3,000 or 1.5% (whichever is less) of the total number of registered qualified electors in the District of Columbia [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(j)(1)(B); 3 DCMR § 1603.3].

U.S. Representative – 3,000 or 1.5% (whichever is less) of the total number of registered qualified electors in the District of Columbia [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-123(d)(2), 1-1001.08(j)(1)(B); 3 DCMR § 1603.3].

Ward Member of the State Board of Education - 200 signatures of registered qualified electors in the ward from which the candidate seeks election [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(n)(B); 3 DCMR § 1603.6].

Computation of the exact number of registered voters and the entire list of registered voters upon which such count was based are posted in the Board's offices until the end of the petition challenge period [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(i)(3)].

#### Monday, June 20, 2022

**Office Closed (Observation of Juneteenth)** 

#### **Monday, July 4, 2022**

Office Closed (Observation of Independence Day)

#### **Monday, July 11, 2022**

Last day to submit a petition for an initiative measure to appear on the ballot [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.16(o)(1), (p)(1); 3 DCMR §§ 1009.1, 1010.1 (Board must certify within 30 days after receipt of the petition whether the measure meets signature requirement. Election must be scheduled at least 90 days after Board certifies that the petition meets signature requirement)].

#### **Monday, July 18, 2022**

### **Candidates for State Board of Education**

First day nominating petitions for candidates may be filed [D.C. Official Code §§1-1001.08(n), 1-1021.01 (no earlier than 115 days before the election)].

#### Wednesday, July 20, 2022

Board makes petitions available for Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner candidates. Signature requirement is 25 registered qualified electors in the single-member district from which the candidate seeks election [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-309.05(b)(1)(B), (b)(2); 3 DCMR § 1603.7 (no later than 111 days before the election)].

# Wednesday, August 10, 2022 (at 5:00 p.m.)

Last day to file nominating petitions, petition supplements, Declarations of Candidacy (except for major party candidates for presidential elector), and any other affidavits, forms, or declarations required for the particular office sought. [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-309.05(b)(1)(A), 1-1001.08(d), (j)(1)(A), (n)(A), (q); 3 DCMR §§ 601.5, 1605.2 (90 days before the election)].

## Saturday, August 13, 2022

Nominating petitions are posted for 10-day challenge period [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(o)(1); 3 DCMR § 1606.1 (third day after nominating petition filing deadline)].

### Sunday, August 14, 2022 – Thursday, September 1, 2022

Period during which signers of nominating petitions may file change of address forms with the Board. [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(o)(3)(B); 3 DCMR §§ 1507.1(b), 1607.1(b) (within ten days after the challenge to the nominating petition has been filed.)].

# Monday, August 15, 2022

Last day for Executive Director to provide preliminary determination of candidates' eligibility [3 DCMR § 601.6 (third business day after the deadline for filing a Declaration of Candidacy)].

## Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Last day to submit petition for a referendum measure to appear on the ballot. [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.16(o)(1), (p)(1); 3 DCMR §§ 1009.1, 1010.2 (Board must certify within 30 days after receipt of petition whether measure meets signature requirement. If a previously scheduled primary, general, or special election will occur between 54 and 114 days of receipt of Board's certification that measure meets signature requirement, Board may present the referendum measure at that election)].

Last day to submit petition for a recall measure to appear on the ballot [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.17(k)(1), (I); 3 DCMR §§ 1109.1, 1110.1) (Board must certify within 30 days after receipt of petition whether measure meets signature requirement. If a previously scheduled primary, general, or special election will occur between 54 and 114 days of receipt of Board's certification that measure meets signature requirement, Board may present the recall measure at that election)].

## Monday, August 22, 2022 (5:00 p.m.)

Close of 10-day nominating petition challenge period. [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(o)(1); 3 DCMR § 1606.1].

#### Monday, September 5, 2022

Office Closed (Observation of Labor Day)

### Friday, September 9, 2022

Deadline for Board to provide notice to persons eligible to vote absentee in federal elections pursuant to the Uniformed and Overseas Citizen Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) of all contests and questions appearing on the ballot and any specific Federal Write-in Ballot (FWAB) instructions. Notice shall be provided on the Board's website, www.dcboe.org. [D.C. Official Code §1-1061.16(a) (60 days before the election)].

# Monday, September 12, 2022

Last day for Board to determine the validity of challenges to nominating petitions [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.08(o)(2), 1-1021.01; 3 DCMR 1606.5) (within 20 days after the challenge to the nominating petition is filed)].

[TENTATIVE] Last day for Board to give notice on its website of the pre-election logic and accuracy ("L & A") testing of the voting equipment to be used in the election [assumes testing begins Monday, September 19, 2022] [3 DCMR § 801.3 (at least seven days before the testing period begins)].

## Thursday, September 15, 2022 (by 5:00 p.m.)

Deadline for major parties to submit the names of the individuals they have nominated to fill candidate position vacancies and be placed on the general election ballot as the parties' candidates for the District partisan offices pursuant to D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.10(b)(1), (d)(1). [3 DCMR § 1600.6(b). (54 days before the election)].

Last day for candidates to submit affidavits withdrawing their nominations so that their names are not printed on the official election ballot. (The names of candidates who submit affidavits of withdrawal after this deadline may still appear on the ballot, but the Board shall provide notice of any withdrawals to voters in the affected polling places and early voting centers.) [3 DCMR § 603.4 (54 days before the election)].

Last day for either challenger or nominee to appeal to D.C. Court of Appeals for review of the Board's determination regarding the validity of nominating petition challenge. [D.C. Official Code § 1001.08(o)(2) (within three days after Board determines validity of challenge)].

#### Friday, September 16, 2022

[TENTATIVE] Board to conduct public lottery to determine ballot positions [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(p); 3 DCMR § 1204.1].

## Monday, September 19, 2022

[TENTATIVE] Board to begin conducting L & A testing of the voting equipment to be used in the election [assumes notice given on or before Monday, September 12, 2020]. [3 DCMR § 801.2]

### Friday, September 23, 2022

Deadline for Board to transmit validly requested absentee ballots to persons eligible to vote pursuant to the Uniformed and Overseas Citizen Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) where requests were received at least 45 days before the election. [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1061.09(a), 1-1021.01 (no later than 45 days before the election)].

Deadline for Board to publish, if necessary, updated election notice for UOCAVA voters. Notice originally posted on Board's website on **Friday, September 9, 2022.** [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1061.16(c), 1-1021.01 (no later than 45 days before the election)].

Deadline for Board to publish fictitious sample ballot in the *D.C. Register* [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.05(a)(5), 1-1021.01; 3 DCMR § 1201.1 (no later than 45 days before the election)].

## Monday, September 26, 2022

Last day for registered qualified electors to submit application to correct the voter registration list or challenge the right to vote of a person named on the list [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.07(e)(5)(A), 1-1021.01; 3 DCMR § 521.2 (no later than 45 days before the election)].

Deadline for Board to post the list of registered qualified electors current as of 60 days preceding the election (**Friday, September 9, 2022**) in public libraries as follows: one citywide listing in main public library, and one ward listing in every branch library located within the respective wards [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.07(h)(1), 1-1021.01 (no later than 45 days before the election)].

### Monday, October 3, 2022

[Tentative] Board begins mailing ballots to registered voters.

## Monday, October 10, 2022

Office Closed (Observation of Columbus Day)

#### Friday, October 14, 2022

[Tentative] Mail ballot drop boxes become available for use.

# Tuesday, October 18, 2022

Deadline for receipt of all voter registration applications (including federal postcard applications (FPCAs), federal write in absentee ballots (FWABs)) and updates except for those submitted in person at the Board or at voter registration agencies [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.07(g)(1)-(2); 3 DCMR § 504.3 (21 days before the election)].

First day the Board can publish a sample copy of the official ballot in at least one newspaper of general circulation [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.05(a)(6); 3 DCMR § 1201.2 (not more than 21 days before the election)].

### Monday, October 24, 2022

Deadline for receipt of absentee ballot requests from non-UOCAVA voters [3 DCMR § 720.5 (no later than 15 days before the election)].

[TENTATIVE] Board publicly conducts and announces the results of the random selection of precincts, voter-verifiable records tabulated centrally, and contests for the manual audit. [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.09a (d); 3 DCMR § 812.8.]

# Tuesday, October 25, 2022

Deadline for Board to post a revised citywide list of registered qualified electors in the main public library, and a revised ward list of registered qualified electors in every branch library located within the respective wards [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.07(h)(2) (no earlier than 14 days before the election)].

Deadline to petition for poll watcher and election observer credentials at specific early voting centers, polling places, and counting places; the Board may accept additional petitions after this date based upon available space [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.09(c); 3 DCMR §706.3 (no earlier than 14 days before the election)].

#### Friday, October 28, 2022

Deadline for Board to make a determination on petitions for poll watcher and election observer credentials [D.C. Official Code § 1-1021.01; 3 DCMR § 706.8 (no earlier than 10 days before the election)].

## Monday, October 31, 2022 - Sunday, November 6, 2022

Period during which qualified electors may register and cast ballots at early voting centers. Early voting centers are open every day during this period between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.09(b-1)(1)-(2); 3 DCMR §§ 700.4, 702.2 (for no more than 12 days before the election)].

## Tuesday, November 1, 2022 – Thursday, November 3, 2022

Period during which registered qualified electors may challenge the qualifications of prospective non-UOCAVA voters who submitted written requests for absentee ballots [3 DCMR § 721 (for three days beginning seven days before the election)].

### Wednesday, November 2, 2022 – Tuesday, November 8, 2022 (8:00 p.m. or close of polls)

Period during which certain registered qualified electors may cast emergency absentee ballots [3 DCMR § 722.1 (Period begins six days before the election and extends through the time the polls close on Election Day)].

#### Saturday, November 5, 2022

Deadline for UOCAVA voters to request an absentee ballot. [3 DCMR § 720.5 (no later than three days before the election)].

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022 – GENERAL ELECTION DAY

On Election Day, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., qualified electors may register to vote and cast full ballots at the polling places for their precincts of residence. [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-309.06(a), 1-1001.07(g)(5), 1-1001.10(a)(2), (a)(3)(A)-(B), (a)(5), 1-1001.10(b)(1) (Tuesday after the first Monday in November)].

Deadline (8:00 p.m.) for receipt of all electronically transmitted absentee ballots. [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.05(a)(10A), 1-1061.10].

### Wednesday, November 9, 2022

Deadline by which Board must provide toll-free telephone service (1-866-DCVOTES (1-866-328-6837)) and website service, www.dcboe.org, where any voter who cast a challenged or special ballot can learn the Board's preliminary decision whether to count or reject his or her ballot and the reason for the decision. [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.09(e)(2) (In sufficient time to comply with the requirements of UOCAVA)].

### Thursday, November 10, 2022

Board holds special or challenged ballot hearings [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.09(e)(3)-(4); 3 DCMR § 712.4 (no later than two days after the election)].

Board makes final determination on validity of special and challenged ballots [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.09(e)(3)-(4); 3 DCMR § 712.7 (the day after the hearing)].

Last day for voters who cast special ballots to present verification of eligibility to vote in the election.

#### Friday, November 11, 2022

Office Closed (Observation of Veterans Day)

### Monday, November 14, 2022

Last day to appeal Board's decision on the validity of special ballots [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.09(e)(3)-(4), 1-1021.01; 3 DCMR § 712.8 (the day after the Board's decision)].

#### Tuesday, November 15, 2022

Deadline (4:45 p.m.) for write-in candidate to file an Affirmation of Write-In Candidacy or Declaration of Candidacy with the Board to be eligible for nomination to office [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(r)(3); 3 DCMR § 602.2 (no later than seven days after the election)].

Deadline for receipt of all mailed ballots. [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.05(a)(10A)].

### Friday, November 18, 2022

Final count of absentee and special ballots.

## Monday, November 21, 2022 – Wednesday, November 23, 2022

[TENTATIVE] Board conducts public manual audit of the voter-verifiable records tabulated. [D.C. Official Code § 1001.09a(b), (c); 3 DCMR §§ 812.2, 812.5(b)].

[TENTATIVE] Board to publish on its website and make available for public inspection a report of results of the manual audit [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.09a(j) (prior to the certification of election results)].

## Thursday, November 24, 2022

Office Closed (Observation of Thanksgiving Day)

#### Wednesday, November 30, 2022

[TENTATIVE] Certification of election results [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.05(a) (11); 3 DCMR § 813.1]. On date of certification, Board determines which parties qualify as eligible to hold primary elections in 2024 in the District of Columbia based on outcome of contests for the office of Delegate to the United States House of Representatives, Chairman of the Council, member of the Council, Mayor, and Attorney General. [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(h)(2)].

### Thursday, December 1, 2022

[TENTATIVE] Deadline by which a person who holds the office of Delegate, member of the Council, Mayor, Attorney General, or member of the State Board of Education, and who is elected to any other of these offices in the general election, must either: 1) resign from the office he or she holds (effective no later than noon on January 1, 2023 (24 hours before the date upon which that person would assume the office to which he or she has been elected)); or 2) decline to accept the office for which he or she was a candidate [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.15(b) (within 24 hours after certification of election results)].

# Wednesday, December 7, 2022

[TENTATIVE] Last day for a voter in the election to file a petition for review of the results of the election in the D.C. Court of Appeals [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.11(b)(1) (within seven days after the certification)].

[TENTATIVE] Last day for a candidate in the election to request a recount of the certified votes cast in one or more voting precincts [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.11(a)(1) (within seven days after the certification)].

#### Monday, December 26, 2022

Office Closed (Observation of Christmas Day)

## Monday, January 2, 2023

Office Closed (Observation of New Year's Day)

### Monday, February 6, 2023

Deadline for Board to publish after-action report on the election on website. [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.05(k); 3 DCMR § 817.1]