2023 School Election Candidate's Calendar

Date	Event	Code Cite
Monday, August 28	Candidate Filing Begins First day to file nomination papers with the school secretary or community college board secretary.	§260C.15(3), 277.4(1)
Thursday, September 21 5:00 p.m.	Candidate Filing Deadline Last day to file nomination papers with the school secretary or community college board secretary. Deadline is 5 p.m.	§260C.15(3), 277.4(1)
Tuesday, September 26 5:00 p.m.	Candidate Withdrawal Deadline Last day for candidates to withdraw by filing a written request with the school secretary. Deadline is 5 p.m.	§277.4(4)
	Candidate Objection Deadline Last day to file written objections to nomination papers or eligibility of a candidate with school or community college board secretary.	§260C.15(4), 277.5
Monday, October 9 5:00 p.m.	Satellite Absentee Voting Station Petition Deadline A petition requesting a satellite absentee voting station must be filed with the county auditor no later than 5 p.m.	§47.4, 53.11(2)(d)
Monday, October 23	Worry–Free Postmark Date Mailed voter registrations forms which are postmarked on or before today are considered on time to be pre-registered for the school election even if they are received after the pre-registration deadline.	§48A.9(3)
	Voter Pre-Registration Deadline The deadline to pre-register to vote for the school election is 5 p.m.	§48A.9(1)
	Exception: Mailed registration forms postmarked on or before the worry–free postmark date, are considered on time even if they are received after 5 p.m. today.	
	Absentee Ballot by Mail Request Deadline Last day to request an absentee ballot be mailed. Deadline is 5 p.m.	§53.2(1)(b)
Monday, November 6	Absentee Ballot In-Person Deadline Last day to request and vote an absentee ballot in person at the county auditor's office.	§53.2(1)(a)
Tuesday, November 7	School Election Day Polls are open from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m.	§49.73(1), 260C.15(1), 277.1
Thursday, November 9	Special Precinct Board Convened The auditor may convene the special precinct board no earlier than noon to consider provisional ballots and UOCAVA and Safe at Home ballots that were postmarked the day before the election or earlier.	§50.21, 50.22

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Friday, November 10	Veteran's Day Observed – State Offices Closed	§1C.1
Monday, November 13 / Tuesday, November 14	1st-Tier County Canvass of Votes (Final Canvass if Jurisdiction is in Only One County) May occur on Monday or Tuesday.	§277.20
Thursday, November 16 / Friday, November 17 5:00 p.m.	Recount Request Deadline Written requests must be with the county auditor by 5 p.m. the third day following the canvass. If county office is closed on Veterans Day, recount requests normally due on Thursday November 11 move to Friday November 12 at 5 p.m.	§50.48(1)
Monday, November 20 / Tuesday, November 21	2 nd –Tier County Canvass of Votes (Final Canvass if Jurisdiction is in More Than One County)	§50.24(3A)
Monday, December 4	Contest Notice Deadline for School Districts if 1 st –Tier Canvass was Final Canvass Statement of intent to contest election must be filed in the county auditor's office within 20 days after the day the apparent winner was declared elected.	§57.6, 62.5(1), 277.22
Monday, December 11	Contest Notice Deadline for School Districts if 2 nd –Tier Canvass was Final Canvass Statement of intent to contest election must be filed in the county auditor's office within 20 days after the day the apparent winner was declared elected.	§57.6, 62.5(1), 277.22