2026 Primary Election Timeline

Date	Description	Statute
3/7/2026	Beginning of filing period for **Non-Partisan Candidate**. Nomination petitons and papers for primary election	16-311 (B), 16-204
3/7/2026	Beginning of filing period for **Write-in Candidates**. Nomination papers for primary election.	16-312 (B)
4/6/2026	**Deadline** for **accepting Nonpartisan candidate nomination petitions** and papers for primary election	16-311 (B), 16-204
4/20/2026	**Deadline** for filing challenges to candidate Nomination Petitions for August 4, 2026, Primary. 10 business days after filing closes.	16-351 (A)
6/5/2026	**Deadline** for **Write-In Candidate Nomination papers** for primary election at 5:00 p.m.	16-312 (B)
7/1/2026	**Deadline** to begin **Logic and Accuracy Test** before early voting for primary election.	16-449
7/6/2026	Last day to **register to vote** for primary election.	16-120 (A)
7/8/2026	**Early voting** begins for primary election	16-542 (C)
7/24/2026	**Deadline** to **request ballot by mail** for primary election.	16-542 (E)
7/31/2026	**Deadline** to **vote early in person** for the primary election.	16-542 (E)
8/4/2026	**Primary Election**	**16-204, 16-201**