



Official Call
State Nominating Convention
Saturday, August 29th &
Sunday, August 30th, 2020

The Democratic Electors of the State of Michigan are hereby notified that by direction of the Democratic State Central Committee, the 2020 State Nominating Convention of the Michigan Democratic Party will be held virtually on Saturday, August 29th and Sunday, August 30th.

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I. County and District Conventions

A. Date, Place, and Time

County Conventions shall be held in all counties within the 1st through 8th and 10th Districts. In those counties comprised of more than one Congressional District, each portion of the county within one Congressional District shall be considered a “county” and shall hold a convention on August 15, 2020. Each convention shall convene at the time and hour designated in the Call issued by each County Committee.

District conventions shall be held in the 9th, 11th, 12th, 13th, and 14th Congressional Districts on August 15, 2020 at the place and hour designated in the Call issued by each Congressional District Committee.

The calls to County and District Conventions shall be issued not less than fifteen (15) days before the Convention is held.

B. Purpose

The purpose of these Conventions shall be to elect Members and Alternates of State Convention Committees and to consider resolutions to be forwarded to the State Party. Each district shall be entitled to two Members (one male and one female) and two Alternates (one male and one female) on each of the following committees: Credentials, Rules, and Platform & Resolutions.

In order to be elected to a Convention Committee, a person must be member of the Michigan Democratic Party at least thirty (30) days prior to August 30, or by July 30, 2020. Committee members shall be apportioned among the various Counties of each District. The Congressional District Chairperson shall have the final responsibility for approving appointments to Convention committees and forwarding such appointments to the Michigan Democratic Party. A google form will be provided to each chair to communicate elected committee members. Care should be taken to ensure that the delegates and alternates in each district are balanced by gender.

C. County and District Convention Delegates

Delegates to County and District Conventions shall be the Precinct Delegates who were duly elected at the Primary Election held August 4, 2020, the nominees for County and Legislative office as set forth in Party Rules, and members of the Michigan Democratic Party whose membership was renewed at least thirty (30) days prior to the County/ District Convention. Persons whose memberships are current as of July 16, 2020 but which expire before August 15, 2020 are eligible to vote if they renew on or before August 15, 2020. Precinct Delegates, Democratic elected officials and Democratic nominees to partisan offices may become members that day when they register at the County and District Conventions.

II. State Convention Committee Meetings

A. Rules

Date: Tuesday, August 18, 2020

Time: 7:00 PM EST/6:00 PM CST

Place: Meeting will be held virtually

Agenda: The Committee shall meet to consider rules for the State Convention and to receive training in those rules and on proportional voting.

B. Platform & Resolutions

Dates: Wednesday, August 19, 2020 and Thursday, August 20, 2020

Time: 7:00 PM EST/6:00 PM CST

Place: Meeting will be held virtually

Agenda: The Committee shall meet to consider resolutions proposed by County and District Conventions for the State Convention's consideration and to recommend a two-year party platform.

C. Credentials

The Committee shall meet at the call of the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party at the convention if necessary.

D. Voting Privileges

In order to vote at these committee meetings, Delegates and Alternates of these committees must be members of the Michigan Democratic Party at least thirty (30) days before the convention meeting.

III. Constituency Group Caucus Meetings at State Convention

Chartered constituency group caucuses may meet virtually between Monday, August 24 and Friday, August 28. Meeting dates, logins, and times will be available at michigandems.com.

IV. Congressional District Caucuses

A. Date, Time, and Purpose

1. Congressional District caucuses will meet virtually on Saturday, August 29 to select presidential electors and to conduct other business as shall be proper and necessary. Meeting logins, and times will be available at michigandems.com.

B. Voting Privileges

In order to vote at a Congressional District Caucus, a person other than a precinct delegate, Democratic elected official or Democratic nominees to partisan office must be a member of the Michigan Democratic Party at least thirty (30) days prior to August 29, 2020 or by July 30, 2020. Applications submitted online must be submitted by 11:59 PM EST on July 30, 2020. Membership applications submitted by USPS must be postmarked no later than July 30, 2020. Membership applications may not be submitted by Fax. Persons whose memberships are current as of July 20, 2020 but which expire before August 29, 2020 are eligible to vote if they renew on or before August 29, 2020. Precinct Delegates, Democratic elected officials, and Democratic nominees for partisan office must be members of the Michigan Democratic Party on August 29, 2020 and may become members that day when they credential.

C. Materials

The Democratic State Central Committee shall provide the Rules Committee Report and other pertinent materials when delegates receive their credentials.

V. August 29, 2020 State Convention

Saturday, August 29, 2020

Beginning at 2:30 PM EST/1:30 PM CST, the Convention shall convene for the purposes of:

1. Hearing a report on the number of Delegates
2. Hearing and voting on the report of the Rules Committee
3. Selecting a Convention Chair
4. Selecting Convention Officers
5. Adopting the Party Platform and resolutions
6. Nominating two (2) Candidates for State Board of Education
7. Nominating two (2) Candidates for Michigan State University Board of Trustees
8. Nominating two (2) Candidates for University of Michigan Board of Regents
9. Nominating two (2) Candidate for Wayne State University Board of Governors
10. Nominating two (2) candidates State Supreme Court
11. Selection of Presidential Electors
12. Conducting any other business which is proper and necessary. The Convention is scheduled to adjourn by 7:00 PM EST. The time of adjournment is tentative and subject to change.

August 30, 2020 State Convention

Sunday, August 30, 2020

Beginning at 11:00 AM EST/10:30 PM CST, the Convention shall convene for the purposes of:

1. Communicating the results of the August 29, 2020 nominating elections.

B. Voting Privileges

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Persons whose memberships are current as of July 20, 2020 but which expire before August 29, 2020 are eligible to vote if they renew on or before August 29, 2020. Precinct Delegates, Democratic elected officials, and Democratic nominees for partisan office must be members of the Michigan Democratic Party on August 29, 2020 and may become members that day when they register at State Convention. All delegates must be registered and qualified electors of the State of Michigan.

VI. August 30, 2020 Democratic State Central Committee Meeting

The Democratic State Central Committee will meet immediately following adjournment of the State Convention to canvass and ratify the convention proceedings.

VII. Weighted Voting Method

A weighted voting method (by County or by fraction of County in multi-county Districts) shall be used in County and District Conventions and Caucuses and on the floor of the State Convention. The method used shall be in accordance with Section 4 of the Rules for Voting and Elections in the Michigan Democratic Party.

VIII. Candidates Seeking Nomination

Candidates seeking nomination by the Michigan Democratic Party shall be eligible for consideration if they gather a number of digital signatures equal to 10% of the delegate vote or 443 signatures and file them with the Director of Party Affairs by 11:59 PM EST on Wednesday, August 26, 2020 and remit payment of a one-time, nonrefundable filing fee in the amount of \$2,500.00 to the Michigan Democratic Party. Candidate filing fees shall be due to the State Party 11:59 PM EST on Wednesday, August 19, 2020.

All nominating signatures will be gathered from eligible voters between Monday, August 24, 2020 beginning at 9:00 AM EST and Wednesday August 26, 2020 11:59 PM EST.

IX. Credentials

Credentialing in order to vote at the State Convention will take place virtually and shall be issued during the following times:

Credentialing opens: Monday, August 24, 2020 at 9:00 AM EST

Credentialing closes: Saturday, August 29, 2020 at 12:00 PM EST

X. Virtual Voting Window

Voting will take place virtually. Ballots will be emailed to all eligible voters starting on Friday, August 28, 2020 at 9:00 AM EST. The voting window will close on Saturday, August 29, 2020 at 8:00 PM EST. Eligible voters will have the option to call a voting hotline in order to cast their votes.

XI. Notice of State Convention

This Call shall be mailed or e-mailed to all Federal and State Elected Officials and County, District, Club, and Caucus Chairperson on or before June 30, 2020. Notice of the State Convention shall also be given to Michigan Democratic Party members via mail, email, and on the web.

XII. Eligibility and Allocation of State Convention Delegates and Alternates

A. Eligibility

In order to vote at State Convention, a person other than a precinct delegate, Democratic elected official or Democratic nominees to partisan office must be a member of the Michigan Democratic Party at least thirty (30) days prior to August 29, 2020 or by July 30, 2020. Applications submitted online must be submitted by 11:59 PM EST on July 30, 2020. Membership applications submitted by USPS must be postmarked no later than July 30, 2020. Membership applications may not be submitted by Fax.

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B. Allocation

There shall be one State Convention vote for each 500 votes or major fraction thereof cast for the Democratic candidate for Michigan Secretary of State in 2018 provided that no fraction of a County within a Congressional District shall be without a minimum of one vote.

District Delegates	
1	
Alcona	4
Alger	4
Alpena	10
Antrim	9
Baraga	2
Benzie	9
Charlevoix	11
Cheboygan	9
Chippewa	11
Crawford	4
Delta	13
Dickinson	8
Emmet	15
Gogebic	6
Grand Traverse	44
Houghton	13
Iron	4
Kalkaska	5
Keweenaw	1
Leelanau	14
Luce	1
Mackinac	4
Manistee	10
Marquette	33
Mason (Part)	2
Menominee	7
Montmorency	3

Ontonagon	2
Oscoda	2
Ostego	7
Presque Isle	5
Schoolcraft	3

District Delegates

2	
Allegan (part)	2
Kent (part)	69
Lake	4
Mason (part)	9
Muskegon	73
Newaygo	14
Oceana	8
Ottawa	91

District Delegates

3	
Barry	20
Calhoun	46
Ionia	18
Kent (part)	207
Montcalm (part)	1

District Delegates

4	Clare	8
	Clinton	34
	Gladwin	8
	Gratiot	12
	Isabella	23
	Mecosta	12
	Midland	32
	Missaukee	3
	Montcalm (part)	16
	Ogemaw	6
	Osceola	5
	Roscommon	9
	Saginaw (part)	32
	Shiawassee	26
	Wexford	9

District Delegates

5	Arenac	5
	Bay	45
	Genesee	195
	Iosco	9
	Saginaw (part)	51
	Tuscola (part)	4

District Delegates

6	Allegan (part)	36
	Berrien	53
	Cass	14
	Kalamazoo	133
	St. Joseph	15
	Van Buren	26

District Delegates

7	Branch	10
	Eaton	50
	Hillsdale	10
	Jackson	51
	Lenawee	33
	Monroe	53
	Washtenaw (part)	47

District Delegates

8	Ingham	154
	Livingston	77
	Oakland (part)	89

District Delegates

9	Macomb (part)	236
	Oakland (part)	144

District Delegates

10	Huron	9
	Lapeer	29
	Macomb (part)	127
	Sanilac	10
	St. Clair	55
	Tuscola (part)	12

District Delegates

11	Oakland (part)	212
	Wayne (part)	111

District Delegates

12	Washtenaw (part)	200
	Wayne (part)	175

District Delegates

13	Wayne (part)	396
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District Delegates

14	Oakland (part)	239
	Wayne (part)	239

Total Delegates Statewide 4,426