



# Official Call

## State Endorsement Convention

### Saturday, April 9, 2022

The Democratic Electors of the State of Michigan are hereby notified that by direction of the Democratic State Central Committee, the 2022 State Endorsement Convention of the Michigan Democratic Party will be held at TCF Center in Detroit, Michigan on Saturday, April 9, 2022. If circumstances are such that the COVID-19 pandemic makes it unsafe for in-person attendance, the Michigan Democratic Party reserves the right to change the format of the Convention from an in-person, hybrid event to a virtual event.

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## **I. County and District Conventions**

### ***A. Date, Place, and Time***

County Conventions shall be held in all counties within the 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> 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 or before March 19, 2022. Each convention shall convene at the time and hour designated in the Call issued by each County or District Committee.

District conventions shall be held in the 9<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, and 14<sup>th</sup> Congressional Districts on or before March 19, 2022 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 to the delegates not less than fifteen (15) days before the Convention is held or, if held on March 19, by March 4, 2022.

### ***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 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 April 9, or by March 10, 2022. 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. 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 Article 5 C, and members of the Michigan Democratic Party whose membership was renewed at least thirty (30) days prior to the County/ District Convention. 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: Monday, March 21, 2022

Time: 7:00 PM EST

Place: Virtual

Agenda: The Committee shall meet to consider rules for the State Convention and to receive training in those rules and on proportional voting. A call in option will be provided to District Chairs for distribution to committee members.

## **B. Resolutions**

Date: Wednesday, March 23, 2022

Time: 6:00 PM EST

Place: Virtual

Agenda: The Committee shall meet to consider resolutions proposed by County and District Conventions for the State Convention's consideration. A call in option will be provided to District Chairs for distribution to committee members.

## **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 are encouraged to meet virtually between Monday, April 4 and Friday, April 8. Caucuses may meet in-person on Saturday, April 9, 2022 at TCF Center between 9:00 AM EST and 12:00 PM EST if they choose. In this case, a remote participation option must be made available.

In order to obtain a slot in the schedule, groups must contact Director of Party Affairs, Hayley Alderman at [halderman@michigandems.com](mailto:halderman@michigandems.com) no later than Friday, March 18. All caucuses are required to send a designee to one of the remote voting trainings to be held on March 29<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>. Caucuses who fail to meet these requirements may be denied a room or time slot at convention.

## **IV. Congressional District Caucuses**

### **A. Date, Time, and Purpose**

The delegates from each Congressional District will meet in Caucus on Saturday, April 9, 2020 at 12:30 PM EST at TCF Center for such purposes as shall be proper and necessary. A remote participation option will be available to district caucus attendees. All districts are required to send a designee to one of the remote voting trainings to be held on March 29<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>. The Caucuses shall adjourn by 2:00 PM EST.

The duly elected District Chairperson (or her/his designee) shall function as temporary Chairperson to convene and preside over the District Caucus until the permanent Chairperson is elected. In the event that the District Chair or designee is not present at the Caucus at the hour for which it is called, his/her place as temporary chairperson shall be filled by the County Chairperson from the county in the district having the largest number of votes in the 2020 election for President.

### **B. Voting Privileges**

In order to vote at a Congressional District Caucus, a person other than a precinct delegate or Democratic candidate for public office must be a member of the Michigan Democratic Party at least thirty (30) days prior to April 9, 2022 or by March 10, 2022. Hand-delivered membership applications must be delivered to Hart-Kennedy by 5:00 PM EST on March 10, 2022. Applications submitted online

must be submitted by 11:59 PM EST on March 10, 2022. Membership applications submitted by USPS must be postmarked no later than March 10, 2022. Membership applications may not be submitted by Fax. Precinct Delegates, Democratic elected officials, and Democratic candidates for public office must be members of the Michigan Democratic Party on April 9, 2022 and may become members that day when they register at State Convention.

### ***C. Materials***

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

## **V. April 9, 2022 State Convention**

### ***A. Saturday, April 9, 2022***

Beginning at 2:30 PM EST, 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. Electing Convention Chair
4. Selecting Convention Officers
5. Endorsing candidate for Attorney General
6. Endorsing candidate for Secretary of State
7. Endorsing candidates for State Supreme Court
8. Endorsing candidates for State Board of Education
9. Endorsing candidates for University Boards
10. Adopting Resolutions
11. Conducting any other business which is proper and necessary. The Convention is scheduled to adjourn by 5:00 PM EST. The time of adjournment is tentative and subject to change.

### ***B. Voting Privileges***

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## **VI. April 9, 2022 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. Proportional Voting System**

A proportional voting system (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 system used shall be in accordance with the State Party Directive on Proportional Voting

## VIII. Candidates Seeking Endorsement

Declared candidates seeking endorsement shall be eligible for consideration if they gather a number of signatures equal to 10 % of the delegate vote or 563 signatures and file them with the Director of Party Affairs. All signatures will be gathered electronically from eligible voters between Monday, April 4, 2022 beginning at 9:00 AM EST and Wednesday, April 6, 2022 at 11:59 PM EST.

## IX. Credentials

Credentialing for the State Convention will take place both virtually and in-person and shall be issued during the following times:

Credentialing opens: Thursday, March 31, 2022 at 9:00 AM EST

Credentialing closes: Saturday, April 9, 2022 at 1:00 PM EST

## X. 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 February 9, 2022. Notice of the State Convention shall also be given to Michigan Democratic Party members via mail, email, and on the web.

## XI. Eligibility and Allocation of State Convention Delegates and Alternates

### A. Eligibility

In order to vote at the State Convention, a person other than a precinct delegate or Democratic candidate for public office must be a member of the Michigan Democratic Party at least thirty (30) days prior to April 9, 2022 or by March 10, 2022. Hand-delivered membership applications must be delivered to Hart-Kennedy by 5:00 PM EST on March 10, 2022. Applications submitted online must be submitted by 11:59 PM EST on March 10, 2022. Membership applications submitted by USPS must be postmarked no later than March 10, 2022. Membership applications may not be submitted by Fax. Precinct delegates, Democratic elected officials, and Democratic candidates for public office must be members of the Michigan Democratic Party on April 9, 2022 and may become members that day when they register at State Convention.

### B. Allocation

There shall be one State Convention vote for each 500 votes or major fraction thereof cast for the Democratic candidate for President in 2020 provided that no fraction of a County within a Congressional District shall be without a minimum of one vote.

<b>District Delegates</b>			
		Baraga	3
		Benzie	11
		Charlevoix	14
		Cheboygan	11
		Chippewa	13
		Crawford	5
<b>1</b>	Alcona		4
	Alger		4
	Alpena		12
	Antrim		12

Delta	15
Dickinson	9
Emmet	19
Gogebic	7
Grand Traverse	57
Houghton	16
Iron	5
Kalkaska	6
Keweenaw	1
Leelanau	18
Luce	2
Mackinac	5
Manistee	12
Marquette	41
Mason (Part)	3
Menominee	9
Montmorency	3
Ontonagon	3
Oscoda	3
Ostego	9
Presque Isle	6
Schoolcraft	3

**District  
Delegates**

<b>2</b>	Allegan (part)	1
	Kent (part)	92
	Lake	5
	Mason (part)	10
	Muskegon	91
	Newaygo	16
	Oceana	2
	Ottawa	129

**District  
Delegates**

<b>3</b>	Barry	24
	Calhoun	72
	Ionia	22
	Kent (part)	284
	Montcalm (part)	18

**District  
Delegates**

<b>4</b>	Clare	10
	Clinton	44

Gladwin	9
Gratiot	13
Isabella	28
Mecosta	15
Midland	41
Missaukee	4
Montcalm (part)	18
Ogemaw	7
Osceola	6
Roscommon	10
Saginaw (part)	37
Shiawassee	31
Wexford	12

**District  
Delegates**

<b>5</b>	Arenac	6
	Bay	53
	Genesee	239
	Iosco	11
	Saginaw (part)	65
	Tuscola (part)	6

**District  
Delegates**

<b>6</b>	Allegan (part)	48
	Berrien	75
	Cass	18
	Kalamazoo	167
	St. Joseph	19
	Van Buren	34

**District  
Delegates**

<b>7</b>	Branch	12
	Eaton	63
	Hillsdale	12
	Jackson	64
	Lenawee	42
	Monroe	66
	Washtenaw (part)	71

**District  
Delegates**

<b>8</b>	Ingham	188
	Livingston	96
	Oakland (part)	139

**District  
Delegates**

<b>9</b>	Macomb (part)	284
	Oakland (part)	174

**District  
Delegates**

<b>10</b>	Huron	11
	Lapeer	33
	Macomb (part)	164
	Sanilac	12
	St. Clair	63
	Tuscola (part)	12

**District  
Delegates**

<b>11</b>	Oakland (part)	290
	Wayne (part)	185

**District  
Delegates**

<b>12</b>	Washtenaw (part)	243
	Wayne (part)	261

**District  
Delegates**

<b>13</b>	Wayne (part)	459
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**District  
Delegates**

<b>14</b>	Oakland (part)	265
	Wayne (part)	289

<b>Total Delegates Statewide</b>		<b>5,631</b>
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