

# **Presidential Nomination Primary (PNP) Election**

## **What is a Presidential Nomination Primary (PNP) Election?**

The purpose of the PNP is for MN voters to vote for a presidential candidate who they wish for their party to nominate as the candidate on the November State General Election ballot. The chair of each major party will submit a list of candidates for the party's PNP ballot no later than January 2, 2024.

## **When does the PNP take place?**

Election Day is March 5, 2024. All polling places will be open from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm. (Towns with fewer than 500 inhabitants and unorganized territories may open as late as 10 a.m.) Find your polling place for the PNP on the Polling Place Finder at <https://pollfinder.sos.state.mn.us>.

## **How does voting work?**

- Voters must declare their major political party preference. If a voter refuses to select a party, they will not be able to vote in the PNP Election.
  - There are separate ballots for each major political party and a voter will be given a Presidential Nomination Primary ballot with only candidates from their selected party.
  - Only one office (president) will be listed on the ballot, and it will include only one name (not a president/vice president team)
  - A voter's choice of major political party will not be public information, except that it will be made available to election officials and to the chair of the major political party that you select.

## **Vote Early by Absentee for the PNP**

Absentee voting for the PNP will be January 19, 2024 – March 4, 2024. The hours for in-person absentee voting in Houston County, are 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday. In addition, the Auditors Office (Room 116) will offer extended voting hours on Saturday, March 2 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm and until 5:00 pm on Monday, March 4. You may also vote absentee via U.S. mail by contacting Houston County Elections at 507-725-5803 or by requesting a ballot online at [www.sos.state.mn.us](http://www.sos.state.mn.us).

## **Register to Vote**

Learn more from the Minnesota Secretary of State website on how to register to vote and further information on what documents will be needed to register on Election Day.

## **Who will pay for the Presidential Nomination Primary (PNP) Election?**

County and Municipalities will be reimbursed by the state for the primary costs.

## **Additional PNP information**

Minnesota Secretary of State's website provides additional information of the Presidential Nomination Primary and answers to frequently asked questions.