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Tuesday, February 26, 2019 – Consolidated Primary Election General Information

Candidate Filing Dates & Deadlines

Tuesday, August 28: First day to circulate petitions for established political parties and nonpartisan candidates (municipalities)

Monday, November 19 – Monday, November 26: Petition filing period for established political party candidates & nonpartisan candidates (municipalities)

Monday, December 3: Last day for filing objections to nomination papers of candidates who filed during the November 19 – November 26 filing period *Last day to withdraw (incompatible offices)

Wednesday, December 7: Last day to conduct ballot placement lottery

Thursday, December 20: Last day to file a Withdrawal of Candidacy with the local election official

Thursday, December 27 Last day to file a notarized declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate (5 p.m.)

Referenda Question Deadlines

Monday, November 26: Last day for filing petitions for referenda for the submission of questions of public policy with the local election authority

Monday, December 10: Last day for local governing boards to adopt a resolution or ordinance to allow a binding public question to appear on the ballot

Certification of Ballot Deadlines

Thursday, December 20: Certification of Ballot by local election authorities

Voter Registration, Early Voting & Mail Voting

Friday, January 11: Military & overseas ballots available

Thursday, January 17: Statutory start of Early Voting

Tuesday, January 29: Voter registration closes for deputy registrars and local election officials

Wednesday, January 30 – Monday, February 25: Grace period registration & voting

Sunday, February 10: Online voter registration closes

Monday, February 11 - Monday, February 25: Early Voting period

Thursday, February 21: Last day to apply for a ballot by mail

Friday, February 22: Nursing home voting

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- Visit the Cook County Clerk's Website: www.cookcountyclerk.com