



# Battered but Bolder

“If nothing else, this must be known: Even as we’ve grieved, we’ve grown; even fatigued we’ve found that this hill we climb is one we must mount together. We are battered, but bolder; worn, but wiser. I’m not telling you to *not* be tired or afraid. If anything, the very fact that we’re weary means we are, by definition, changed; we are brave enough to listen to, and learn from, our fear. This time will be different because this time *we’ll* be different. We already are.”

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# 2022 Elections

What you need to know!

(Well, at least a *start* to  
what you need to know!)

# The Elections Calendar

DATE	ACTIVITY
March 8	Last day for major party/nonpartisan candidates to file for the May Primary
<b>April 26</b>	<b>Last day to register or change registration to vote in the May Primary</b>
April 27	Primary Ballots mailed (Voter Pamphlets mailing begins)
<b>May 17</b>	<b>Primary Election – Ballots must be postmarked by this date to count!</b>
June 1	Last day for NAV candidates to file for the General Election
July 8	Last day to file petition signatures for ballot initiatives with the SOS
August 30	Last day for NAV or district candidates to file or withdraw
<b>October 18</b>	<b>Last day to register/change registration to vote in the General Election</b>
<b>November 8</b>	<b>General Election</b>

# What's on the May 17 Primary Ballot?

- May 17 is called the **Primary Election**, meaning the first round to identify final candidates that will appear on the November 8 General Election Ballot.
- That is true for partisan offices – where the candidates represent the Democratic or Republican party. The May election is to pick one candidate for each party to move on to the General Election.
- Some nonpartisan offices also appear on this ballot.

# Primary Election Ballot Partisan Offices

## Federal

- US Senator (only one for a 6-year term)
- US Representative (all for 2-year term)

## State

- Governor
- State Senator (Senate Districts #6 & #8) for a 4-year term
- State Representatives (all for 2-year term)

## County

- County Commissioner (1 position in each Linn & Benton Counties)

# Primary Election Ballot Nonpartisan Offices

## State

- BOLI Commissioner (Bureau of Labor & Industry)
- State Supreme Court (1 position)
- State Court of Appeals (3 positions)
- State Circuit Court (2 positions in Linn Co. only)

Your May Primary Ballot will show these nonpartisan candidates but will show only the partisan candidates running in the party for which you are registered.

# General Election – November 8

Some County positions appear only on the ballot for the General Election unless there are more than 3 candidates. In that case, they would appear on the Primary Ballot.

Municipal positions like Mayor and City Council appear on the November General Election Ballot.

*More about the General Election at a later date!*



# Basic Resources

- Oregon Secretary of State  
<https://secure.sos.state.or.us/orestar/CFSearchPage.do> (more information will be available after filing date for candidates)
- Find your legislators – *not yet updated with new districts!*  
<https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/findyourlegislator/leg-districts.html>
- Ballotpedia sample ballot information by address  
[https://ballotpedia.org/Sample\\_Ballot\\_Lookup](https://ballotpedia.org/Sample_Ballot_Lookup)
- Vote 411 (League of Women Voters Comprehensive voting information  
<https://www.vote411.org/oregon>
- Benton County Clerk for election information  
<https://www.co.benton.or.us/elections/page/may-17-2022-primary-election>
- Linn County Clerk for election information  
<http://www.co.linn.or.us/elections/#>

“Even if the methods are new, sowing the seeds of doubt, division, and discord to turn Americans against each other is an old trick. The antidote is citizenship: to get engaged, organized, mobilized, and to vote – on every level, in every election.”

Former President Barack Obama