



2023 Important Dates and Deadlines by Election

May 2, 2023 Primary Election

City	Candidate Petition Filing Deadline	**Write In Filing Deadline (where applicable)	Issues/Local Option** Filing Deadline	Charter Amendment Filing Deadline	Registration Close Date	Absentee Opening Date	Number of Precincts	Campaign Finance Pre-Election Report Deadline	Campaign Finance Post-Election Report Deadline
Open to all municipalities for issues	N/A	N/A	2/1	3/3	4/3	4/4		4/20	6/9
Bedford Judicial (P)	2/1	2/21	2/1	3/3	4/3	4/4	68	4/20	6/9
Berea (NP)	3/3	2/21	2/1	3/3	4/3	4/4	11	4/20	6/9
Berea Judicial (P)	2/1	N/A	2/1	3/3	4/3	4/4	82	4/20	6/9
Fairview Park (NP)	2/1	N/A	2/1	3/3	4/3	4/4	12	4/20	6/9
Garfield Hts Judicial (P)	2/1	N/A	2/1	3/3	4/3	4/4	56	4/20	6/9
Lyndhurst Judicial (P)	2/1	N/A	2/1	3/3	4/3	4/4	47	4/20	6/9
Mayfield Hts Mayor Only (NP)	No Candidate Election	2/21	2/1	3/3	4/3	4/4		4/20	6/9
Newburgh Hts (NP)	Moved to November Election	N/A	2/1	3/3	4/3	4/4		4/20	6/9
Oakwood Village (NP)	2/1	N/A	2/1	3/3	4/3	4/4	5	4/20	6/9
Parma (P)	2/1	2/21	2/1	3/3	4/3	4/4	48	4/20	6/9
Parma Judicial (P)	2/1	2/21	2/1	3/3	4/3	4/4	114	4/20	6/9
Rocky River Judicial (P)	2/1	N/A	2/1	3/3	4/3	4/4	85	4/20	6/9
Shaker Hts Judicial (P)	2/1	N/A	2/1	3/3	4/3	4/4	45	4/20	6/9
Strongsville (NP)	2/1	2/21	2/1	3/3	4/3	4/4	30	4/20	6/9
Westlake (NP)	No Candidate Election	2/21	2/1	3/3	4/3	4/4		4/20	6/9

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Note: The filing deadline for Parma Independent candidates is May 1, 2023.

The filing deadline for the above Judicial Independent/Nonpartisan candidates is May 1, 2023.

Military / Overseas ballots begin to be mailed 46 days before the election (3/17/2023)

^Protest deadline for candidate petitions is generally 74 days (2/17/2023) before the election.

*Write In Filing Deadline: Generally 72 days before the election. Protest Deadline generally 67 days (2/24/2023) before the election. See individual municipal charters for specific information.

Last day for a candidate to withdraw their candidacy and their name will not appear on the ballot. Generally 70 days (2/21/2023)

August 8, 2023 Primary Election

City	Candidate Petition Filing Deadline	**Write In Filing Deadline (where applicable)	Issues/Local Option** Filing Deadline	Charter Amendment Filing Deadline	Registration Close Date	Absentee Opening Date	Number of Precincts	Campaign Finance Pre-Election Report Deadline	Campaign Finance Post-Election Report Deadline
Open to all municipalities for issues	N/A	N/A	5/10	6/9	7/10	7/11	N/A	7/27	9/15

Military / Overseas ballots begin to be mailed 46 days before the election (6/23/2023)

^Protest deadline for local option petitions is generally 74 days (5/26/2023) before the election.

September 12, 2023 Municipal Primary

City	Candidate Petition Filing Deadline [^]	**Write In Filing Deadline (where applicable)	Issues/Local Option** Filing Deadline	Charter Amendment Filing Deadline	Registration Close Date	Absentee Opening Date	Number of Precincts	Campaign Finance Pre-Election Report Deadline	Campaign Finance Post-Election Report Deadline
Bay Village (NP)	6/14	7/2	6/14	7/14	8/14	8/15	12	8/31	10/20
Bedford Hts (NP)	6/1	N/A	6/14	7/14	8/14	8/15	9	8/31	10/20
Broadview Hts (NP)	6/14	N/A	6/14	7/14	8/14	8/15	14	8/31	10/20
Brook Park (P)	6/14	N/A	6/14	7/14	8/14	8/15	12	8/31	10/20
Cleveland except Council Ward 11 (NP)	No Candidate Election	7/2	6/14	7/14	8/14	8/15	332	8/31	10/20
Cleveland Council Ward 11 Only (NP)	6/14	7/2	6/14	7/14	8/14	8/15	16	8/31	10/20
Cleveland Heights Mayor Only (NP)	No Candidate Election	N/A	6/14	7/14	8/14	8/15	33	8/31	10/20
East Cleveland Mayor Only (P)	No Candidate Election	N/A	6/14	7/14	8/14	8/15	15	8/31	10/20
Garfield Hts (NP)	6/14	7/2	6/14	7/14	8/14	8/15	19	8/31	10/20
Lakewood (NP)	6/14	7/2	6/14	7/14	8/14	8/15	37	8/31	10/20
Lakewood Judicial (NP)	No Candidate Election	7/2	6/14	7/14	8/14	8/15	37	8/31	10/20
Maple Hts (NP)	6/14	7/2	6/14	7/14	8/14	8/15	16	8/31	10/20
North Olmsted (NP)	No Candidate Election	7/2	6/14	7/14	8/14	8/15	21	8/31	10/20
Olmsted Falls Mayor Only (NP)	No Candidate Election	7/2	6/14	7/14	8/14	8/15	8	8/31	10/20
Rocky River (P)	6/14	7/2	6/14	7/14	8/14	8/15	16	8/31	10/20
Seven Hills (NP)	6/14	N/A	6/14	7/14	8/14	8/15	8	8/31	10/20
Solon (NP)	6/14	7/2	6/14	7/14	8/14	8/15	15	8/31	10/20

Note: The filing deadline for Brook Park and Rocky River Independent candidates is June 14, 2023 at 4:00 PM

Military / Overseas ballots begin to be mailed 46 days before the election (7/28/2023)

[^]Protest deadline for candidate petitions is generally 74 days (6/30/2023) before the election.

*Write In Filing Deadline: Generally 72 days before the election. Protest Deadline generally 67 days (7/7/2023) before the election. See individual municipal charters for specific information.

Last day for a candidate to withdraw their candidacy and their name will not appear on the ballot. Generally 70 days (7/5/2023)

November 7th General Election

City	Candidate Petition Filing Deadline ^A	**Write In Filing Deadline (where applicable)	Issues/Local Option** Filing Deadline	Charter Amendment Filing Deadline	Registration Close Date	Absentee Opening Date	Number of Precincts	Campaign Finance Pre-Election Report Deadline	Campaign Finance Post-Election Report Deadline
Open to all municipalities for issues and local options		N/A	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11		10/26	12/12
All Boards of Education	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11		10/26	12/12
Bay Village (NP)	See 9/12 Primary Election	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	12	10/26	12/12
Beachwood (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	9	10/26	12/12
Bedford (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	10	10/26	12/12
Bedford Judicial (NP)	5/1	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	68	10/26	12/12
Bedford Hts (NP)	See 9/12 Primary Election	N/A	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	9	10/26	12/12
Bentleyville (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	1	10/26	12/12
Berea (NP)	See 5/2 Primary Election	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	11	10/26	12/12
Berea Judicial (I)	5/1	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	82	10/26	12/12
Bratenahl (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	1	10/26	12/12
Brecksville (NP)	8/9	N/A	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	10	10/26	12/12
Broadview Hts (NP)	See 9/12 Primary Election	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	14	10/26	12/12
Brook Park (I)	6/14	N/A	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	12	10/26	12/12
Brooklyn (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	8	10/26	12/12
Brooklyn Hts (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	1	10/26	12/12
Chagrin Falls Township (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	1	10/26	12/12
Chagrin Falls Village (NP)	8/24	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	3	10/26	12/12
Cleveland except Council Ward 11 (NP)	No Candidate Election	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	332	10/26	12/12
Cleveland Council Ward 11 Only (NP)	See 9/12 Primary Election	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	16	10/26	12/12
Cleveland Judicial (NP)	6/14	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	333	10/26	12/12
Cleveland Hts Council Only (NP)	6/14	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	33	10/26	12/12
Cleveland Hts Judicial (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	33	10/26	12/12
Cuyahoga Hts. (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	1	10/26	12/12
East Cleveland Council (NP)	8/9	N/A	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	15	10/26	12/12
East Cleveland Judicial (NP)	8/9	N/A	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	15	10/26	12/12
Euclid (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	39	10/26	12/12
Euclid Judicial (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	39	10/26	12/12
Fairview Park (NP)	See 5/2 Primary Election	N/A	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	12	10/26	12/12
Garfield Hts (NP)	5/1	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	19	10/26	12/12
Garfield Hts Judicial (I)	5/1	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	56	10/26	12/12
Gates Mills (NP)	8/9	N/A	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	2	10/26	12/12
Glenwillow (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	3	10/26	12/12
Highland Heights (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	8	10/26	12/12
Highland Hills (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	1	10/26	12/12
Hunting Valley (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	1	10/26	12/12
Independence (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	5	10/26	12/12
Lakewood (NP)	See 9/12 Primary Election	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	37	10/26	12/12
Linndale (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	1	10/26	12/12
Lyndhurst (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	11	10/26	12/12
Lyndhurst Judicial (I)	5/1	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	47	10/26	12/12
Maple Hts (NP)	See 9/12 Primary Election	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	16	10/26	12/12
Mayfield Hts. (NP) (Council Only)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	13	10/26	12/12
Mayfield Village (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	4	10/26	12/12
Middleburg Hts (NP)	8/24	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	11	10/26	12/12

November 7th General continued

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Moreland Hills (NP)	8/9	N/A	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	3	10/26	12/12
Newburgh Hts (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	1	10/26	12/12
North Olmsted (NP)	6/14	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	21	10/26	12/12
North Randall (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	1	10/26	12/12
North Royalton (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	22	10/26	12/12
Oakwood Village (NP)	See 5/2 Primary Election	N/A	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	5	10/26	12/12
Olmsted Falls (NP) (Council Only)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	8	10/26	12/12
Olmsted Township (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	9	10/26	12/12
Orange Village (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	3	10/26	12/12
Parma (I)	5/1	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	48	10/26	12/12
Parma Judicial (I)	5/1	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	114	10/26	12/12
Parma Hts. (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	12	10/26	12/12
Pepper Pike (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	5	10/26	12/12
Richmond Hts. (NP)	8/9	N/A	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	9	10/26	12/12
Rocky River (I)	6/14	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	16	10/26	12/12
Rocky River Judicial (I)	5/1	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	85	10/26	12/12
Seven Hills (NP)	See 9/14 Primary Election	N/A	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	8	10/26	12/12
Shaker Hts. (NP)	8/9	N/A	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	21	10/26	12/12
Shaker Hts. Judicial (I)	5/1	N/A	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	45	10/26	12/12
Solon (NP)	See 9/14 Primary Election	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	15	10/26	12/12
South Euclid (NP)	8/24	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	16	10/26	12/12
South Euclid Judicial (NP)	8/24	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	16	10/26	12/12
Strongsville (NP)	See 5/2 Primary Election	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	30	10/26	12/12
University Hts (NP)	8/9	N/A	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	9	10/26	12/12
Valley View (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	2	10/26	12/12
Walton Hills (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	2	10/26	12/12
Warrensville Hts. (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	12	10/26	12/12
Westlake (NP)	No Candidate Election	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	24	10/26	12/12
Woodmere (NP)	8/9	8/27	8/9	9/8	10/10	10/11	1	10/26	12/12

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Last day for a candidate to withdraw their candidacy and their name will not appear on the ballot. Generally 70 days (8/29/2023)

March 19, 2024 Presidential Primary Election

City	[^] Candidate Petition Filing Deadline	**Write In Filing Deadline	Issues/Local Option Filing Deadline	Charter Amendment Filing Deadline	Registration Close Date	Absentee Opening Date	Number of Precincts	Campaign Finance Pre-Election Report Deadline	Campaign Finance Post-Election Report Deadline
Open to all municipalities for issues	N/A	N/A	12/20/23	01/19/24	02/20/24	02/21/24	975	03/07/24	04/26/24
All State/Federal/County Candidates	12/20/23	1/7/24	N/A	N/A	02/20/24	02/21/24	975	03/07/24	04/26/24

Military / Overseas ballots begin to be mailed 46 Days before the election (2/2/2024)

[^]Protest deadline for candidate petitions is 74 days (1/5/2024) before the election.

**Write In Filing Deadline: 72 days before the election. Protest Deadline generally 67 days (1/12/2024) before the election.

Last day for a candidate to withdraw their candidacy and their name not appear on the ballot. Generally 70 days (1/9/2024)

Note: The filing deadline for Independent candidates for the November 5, 2024 General Election is March 18, 2024 (day before the primary election).