

LOUISIANA

ELECTION INFORMATION

2023



The choices made in elections today can change the trajectory of your state and set the course for the policies and environment of your local community tomorrow.

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Louisiana conducts local and state elections on Saturdays using an Open Primary (or Jungle Primary) system. All candidates regardless of party run against each other on the same ballot and all eligible voters, regardless of party, may cast a vote in the election. If no one candidate receives more than 50% of the vote in the primary, the top two vote-getters advance to a run-off election called a General Election regardless of their partisan affiliation. This system is used for all state, parish, municipal, and congressional offices.

OPEN PRIMARY	SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14
PRIMARY ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST	DEADLINE: OCTOBER 10 AT 4:30 PM
PRIMARY ABSENTEE BALLOT RETURN	DEADLINE: OCTOBER 13 AT 4:30 PM
PRIMARY EARLY VOTING	SEPTEMBER 30 — OCTOBER 7 FROM 8:30 AM — 6:00 PM
GENERAL ELECTION	SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18
GENERAL ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST	DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 14
GENERAL ABSENTEE BALLOT RETURN	DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 17
GENERAL EARLY VOTING	NOVEMBER 3 — 11 FROM 8:30 AM — 6:00 PM (EXCLUDING NOVEMBER 5 & 10)
ELECTION DAY POLLING HOURS	7:00 AM — 8:00 PM

NOTE: The Louisiana voter registration deadline has passed.

ACCEPTED FORMS OF VOTER ID

- Driver's License
- Louisiana Special ID
- LA Wallet Digital Driver's License
- United States Military Identification Card that Contains Your Name and Picture; or
- Some Other Generally Recognized Picture ID that Contains Your Name and Signature

OFFICES UP FOR ELECTION IN 2023

GOVERNOR	Executive Head of the state — Responsibilities include enforcement of laws, budgetary authority, veto power, legislative influence, crisis management, ability to grant pardons, clemency, commute sentences, and the power to appoint administrative officials.
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR	Second ranking officer of the executive branch and the first officer in line to succeed the governor.
ATTORNEY GENERAL	Chief legal officer within the executive branch of the state government. Provides official legal opinions to state agencies, officers, and the state legislators.
SECRETARY OF STATE	Chief state election officer — Preparing and certifying ballots, promulgating election returns, and administering election laws, except those relating to voter registration and custody of voting machines.
TREASURER	Chief financial officer of the government responsible for maintaining the state funds and acting as the state's bank.
COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE & FORESTRY	Exercises all functions relating to the promotion, protection, and advancement of agriculture, forestry, and soil and water resources.
COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE	Holds jurisdiction over the life, health and accident, property and liability, marine and inland marine, fidelity and surety, and title insurance industries in Louisiana.
BOARD OF ELEMENTARY & SECONDARY EDUCATION	Adopts regulations and enacts policies governing the operations of the schools under its jurisdiction and exercises budgetary oversight of their educational programs and services.
STATE LEGISLATURE	The Legislature determines general policy for the state through the enactment of laws. All thirty-nine Senators and one hundred and five House members are up for election.

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