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# 2013 SCHOOL ELECTION CALENDAR

| The annual election for school districts shall be held between the second Tuesday in April and the third Tuesday in June (SDCL 13-7-10). The days to the right are found to be the most common. A school district may choose an alternative date. | **MUNICIPAL** **Second Tuesday in April** | **PRIMARY** **First Tuesday after the first Monday in June** | **TRADITIONAL** **Third Tuesday in June** |
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| The school board shall set the date of the Annual School Election no later than the first regular meeting in January. (13-7-10) | April 9th | June 4th | June 18th |
| The person in charge of the election must notify the Secretary of State when the election will take place by e-mail, letter, fax, or telephone. (12-2-7) | Immediately | Immediately | Immediately |
| Publish notice of vacancies and time and place for filing petitions each week for two consecutive weeks. (13-7-5, 13-7-10.4 & 05:02:04:14) | January 15th - January 30th | February 15th - March 1st | March 15th - March 30th |
| Earliest date to begin petition circulation and earliest date to file nominating petition. (13-7-10.2, 13-7-10.4, 13-7-6) | January 25th | March 1st | April 9th |
| Deadline for filing nominating petition. (13-7-10.2, 13-7-10.4, 13-7-6) | February 22nd 5:00 pm | March 26th 5:00 pm | May 10th 5:00 pm |
| Deadline for submission of written request to withdraw candidate's name from nomination. (13-7-7) | February 22nd 5:00 pm | March 26th 5:00 pm | May 10th 5:00 pm |
| Publish first deadline of voter registration notice that needs to be published each week for two consecutive weeks. (12-4-5.2 & 05:02:04:04) | March 4th - March 8th | April 29th - May 3rd | May 13th - May 17th |
| Publish last deadline of voter registration notice that needs to be published each week for two consecutive weeks. (12-4-5.2 & 5:02:04:04) | March 11th - March 15th | May 6th - May 10th | May 20th - May 24th |
| Deadline for voter registration. (15 days before election) (12-4-5) | March 25th | May 20th | June 3rd |
| Absentee ballots must be made available no later than 15 days prior to the election. (13-7-13) | March 25th | May 20th | June 3rd |
| Publish notice of election that needs to be published each week for two consecutive weeks. First publication must be at least 10 days before election. (13-7-8 & 05:02:04:15) | March 25th - April 5th | May 20th - May 31st | June 3rd - June 14th |
| Publish facsimile ballot in the calendar week before the election. The calendar week falls from the Monday to the Saturday of the week prior to the Tuesday of Election Day. (13-7-8) | April 1st - April 6th | May 27th - June 1st | June 10th - June 15th |

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| Automatic tabulating systems only. Conduct a public test of the system. Must publish notice 48 hours before test. (12-17B-5 & 5:02:09:01.01) | March 30th - April 8th | May 25th - June 3rd | June 8th - June 17th |
| Election Day. Polls open 7:00 am to 7:00 pm. (13-7-10) | April 9th | June 4th | June 18th |
| Deadline for the official canvass. (13-7-18) | Next meeting | Next meeting | Next meeting |

Note: If the school election is combined with a municipal election on a date other than the 2nd Tuesday in April, all dates follow SDCL 13-7 (except when combined with the county for a primary election).

Notify County Auditor: Contact your County Auditor when you know you will have an election and ask if he/she can be available from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm on that date to answer questions regarding voter registration.