



District Level National Delegate Election Process

Iowa Democrats,

The February 1st, 2016 Iowa Precinct Caucuses kicked off the process by which Iowa Democrats select our slate of National Delegates to the 2016 Democratic National Convention in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. For those interested in running to be a National Delegate at the Congressional District Conventions held on April 30th, 2016, we have included information pertaining to this process below.

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Iowa will elect 29 Delegates and 4 Alternates at the Congressional District Conventions.
The Congressional District Delegate allocation can be found on the grid below.

* District	Delegates			Alternates		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
#1	4	4	8	0	1	1
#2	4	4	8	1	0	1
#3	3	4	7	0	1	1
#4	3	3	6	1	0	1
Total	14	15	29	2	2	4

District-Level Delegate and Alternate Filing Requirements

A district-level delegate and alternate candidate may run for election only within the district in which he or she is registered to vote. (Rule 12.H.)

Candidates for the position of delegate or alternate delegate to the Democratic National Convention shall be required to submit a petition which is to be filed with the State Chair twelve (12) days before* the District Convention **or** with the Chair of the Rules and Nominations Committee at the convention by the time stated in the published rules (15 minutes after the report of the Credentials Committee is adopted). The petition shall be signed by one percent (1%) of the delegates or 16, whichever is less, to the district convention.** (IDP Constitution Article VIII, Section 4). A delegate or alternate candidate may modify his or her singular presidential preference by submitting an updated pledge of support no later than the filing deadline. (Rule 12.B.)

All candidates considered for district-level alternate positions must meet the same requirements as candidates for district-level delegate positions, except that the state may allow candidates who were not chosen at the delegate level to be considered for the alternate level. (Rule 12.C.)

**District Conventions are April 30th, 2016. "12 days before" is April 18th, 2016*

***1% of delegates to the District Conventions depends on the district from which you are running:*

1st District Convention is 388 Delegates. 1% of 388 = 3.9 (always round UP) = 4 signatures

2nd District Convention is 372 Delegates. 1% of 372 = 3.7 = 4 signatures

3rd District Convention is 354 Delegates. 1% of 354 = 3.5 = 4 signatures

4th District Convention is 287 Delegates. 1% of 287 = 2.9 = 3 signatures

Election of Delegates and Alternates within Presidential Preference or Uncommitted Groups

A petition for the national delegate position shall be considered a valid petition for the national alternate position.

All valid and official candidates for national delegate positions shall be listed on a ballot and lettered and numbered.

All candidates shall be allowed one (1) minute to speak to the preference group or someone may speak on their behalf. The time may be divided into no more than two (2) speakers.

No national delegate or alternate candidate may be nominated from the floor.

Candidates must include, in addition to filing a petition: a statement of candidacy designating the singular presidential preference or uncommitted group to which he or she purports to belong, and a signed pledge of support for the presidential candidate the person favors, if any. A delegate or alternate or alternate candidate may modify his or her singular presidential preference by submitting an updated pledge of support no later than the filing deadline. (Rule 12.B.)

A national delegate candidate pledged to a nonviable presidential preference group may run in another group with the agreement of the proper presidential candidate representative.

National convention delegate and alternate candidates removed from the list of bona fide supporters by a presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), may not be elected at that level as a delegate or alternate pledged to that presidential candidate (including uncommitted status). (Rule 11.E.)