

THE IOWA CAUCUS PROCESS BEFORE CAUCUS DAY

JANUARY 2, 2024

First day for the Iowa Democratic Party to receive requests by mail or online portal, and send preference cards to registered Iowa Democrats.

14-28 DAYS PRIOR TO THE IN-PERSON CAUCUS

IDP Chair opens the non-present participation period of the caucuses. Caucus-goers may return their preference cards by mail, in-person, or drop box. The non-present participation period will continue for at least 14 days. During this time, Democrats may continue to request a preference card.

5 DAYS PRIOR TO THE IN-PERSON CAUCUS

Last day to postmark or hand-return preference cards

1 DAY PRIOR TO THE IN-PERSON CAUCUS

Deadline for Iowa Democratic Party to receive mailed preference card postmarked by the deadline

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CAUCUS DAY

The Iowa Democratic Party will release the raw caucus results by a time certain to the public.



Caucus site coordinators will receive both the raw results and delegate allocation results for all precincts at their site, and announce the number of delegates to be elected for each candidate (or uncommitted) in each precinct.



Precincts will elect delegates according to the allocation determined by non-present participation, and announced by site coordinators.



Caucuses will continue with the election of precinct-committee members and platform submissions.