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# Delegate Selection Plan Press Kit For the Democratic National Convention



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Boise- The Idaho Democratic Party announced changes to its Presidential Delegate Selection plan today. The Idaho Democratic Party has been awarded three bonus delegates by the DNC, bringing the delegate total to 27. In addition, the County Caucus time has been changed to 6:00pm Pacific Time/7:00pm Mountain Time on March 22, 2016. Please see the attached revised Press Kit for an outline of the key points in the plan.

The process begins with education workshops to inform the general public about how to be involved in the Idaho Democratic Party County Caucus process, which is the first step of being elected as a National Delegate. How to Caucus Webinars will be held to educate caucus attendees on the details of attending local county caucuses to vote for their Presidential nominee and how to run to be a State and National Convention delegate. All sessions will be identical.

**Thursday February 11 7pm MT/6pm PT**

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Those interested will need to register prior to the webinar sessions at <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/5923917234300065538>

Throughout the Delegate Selection process key dates, relevant forms and a copy of the full plan may be found at [idahodems.org/presidential-delegate-selection-process](http://idahodems.org/presidential-delegate-selection-process). For more information contact Sally Boynton Brown at [sally@idahodems.org](mailto:sally@idahodems.org) or (208) 440-2374

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# Delegate Numbers by County

County	Delegates
Ada total	118
CD1	52
CD2	66
Adams	2
Bannock	24
Bear Lake	1
Benewah	3
Bingham	7
Blaine	12
Boise	2
Bonner	13
Bonneville	20
Boundary	3
Butte	1
Camas	1
Canyon	34
Caribou	1
Cassia	3
Clark	1
Clearwater	2
Custer	1
Elmore	5
Franklin	1
Fremont	2
Gem	4
Gooding	3
Idaho	4
Jefferson	3
Jerome	3
Kootenai	35
Latah	15
Lemhi	2
Lewis	1
Lincoln	1

Madison	3
Minidoka	3
Nez Perce	12
Oneida	1
Owyhee	2
Payette	4
Power	2
Shoshone	5
Teton	4
Twin Falls	14
Valley	4
Washington	2
TOTAL	384

## Idaho County Delegate Numbers



# Overview

Idaho will send 24 delegates and 2 alternates to the 2016 Democratic National Convention to nominate the Democratic candidates for President and Vice President of the United States in Philadelphia, PA the week of July 25, 2016. This flyer describes the essential steps and the process for running to be a delegate, the timetable of steps, deadlines and required forms.

Delegates and Alternates to the 2016 Democratic National Convention are responsible for all of their own expenses. This includes transportation to and from Philadelphia, the hotel room and meals. Hotel rooms will cost \$300-\$550 per night.

Throughout the Delegate Selection Process, all deadlines will be strictly enforced. All Statement of Candidacy forms are due at 5:00 p.m.\* on June 15, 2016. Late submissions will not be accepted. Illegible or incomplete forms will not be accepted.

National Convention delegates are elected positions. Delegate candidates will need to actively campaign for these positions and raise money to support the trip.

There are four categories of delegates. Two of the categories are for certain party and elected officials. For most Democrats, the District Level, Pledged Party Leader and Elected Officials (PLEO) and At-Large categories will be the categories in which to run. Each category has special rules. This chart summarizes Idaho's four Delegate categories:

Type	Delegates	Alternates	Date of Selection	Selecting Body
				Filing Requirements and Deadlines
District-Level Delegates District-Level Alternates	15	0	6/18/16	Selecting Body: <b><i>State Delegates' Presidential preference caucus at State Convention</i></b>  <b><i>File between 2/15/16 – 6/15/16</i></b>
Unpledged Party Leader and Elected Official Delegates*	4	n/a	n/a	Automatic by virtue of respective public or Party office as provided in Rule 8.A. of the 2016 Delegate Selection Rules.
Pledged Party Leaders and Elected Officials (PLEOs)	3	**	6/18/16	Selecting Body: <b><i>Quorum of National Delegates at the State Convention</i></b>  <b><i>Quorum of National Delegates at the State Convention</i></b> <b><i>Filing deadline 6/15/16</i></b>
At-Large Delegates At-Large Alternates	5	2	6/18/16 6/18/16	Selecting Body: <b><i>State Delegates at State Convention</i></b>  <b><i>File between 2/15/2016 – 6/15/16</i></b>
TOTAL Delegates and Alternates	24	2		

\* All times indicated are Pacific Time

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## PROCESS

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**CAUCUS** – Meetings of Democrats start at the county, then the state level and, finally, in presidential election years, the national convention. Part one begins with Democrats gathering within a county on March 22, 2016 at their County Caucus to elect delegates to represent them at the State Convention based on their Presidential preference. A Presidential candidate must gain a 15% threshold of county caucus attendees to have delegate representation at the State Convention.

**ELIGIBILITY** – Caucuses and conventions are regulated by state law and party rules. Anyone may attend the caucus, but only those who meet the Basic Qualifications may cast votes.

**CAUCUS SITES** – County Caucus locations will be announced on or before February 15, 2016 via press release and on [idahodems.org](http://idahodems.org). Democrats also may call the Idaho Democratic Party office (208) 336-1815 for information. Best efforts will be made to ensure Caucus locations are physically accessible to persons with disabilities and comply with the rules of the county central committee.

**AGENDA** – The people running the caucus must fill out forms showing that business was completed.

The agenda includes but is not limited to:

1. Checking to see who is eligible to vote;
2. Distributing Presidential pledge forms;
3. Nominations for State Delegates;
4. Electing delegates and alternates to the State convention.

**CONVENTIONS** – Delegates/Alternates selected at county-level will attend the State Convention June 17-19, 2016 to elect National Convention delegates and alternates. In addition to selecting delegates at the State Convention, the 2016 Platform will also be created and approved. Idaho's National Convention Delegation must be equally divided between men and women. Presidential candidates have the right to approve or disapprove all National Delegate candidates. Delegate allocations are based on the caucus results, all delegates and alternates must be committed to a presidential candidate. National Delegates will attend the National Convention July 25, 2016 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

## AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

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Historically, certain groups of Americans have been explicitly denied the right to vote or have been subjected to discriminatory and exclusionary practices. In order to encourage full participation in the delegate selection process, the Idaho Democratic Party has adopted an Affirmative Action Plan that includes contacting constituency organizations and holding outreach workshops both in-person and via webinar. Building broad participation at the caucus level will ensure our National delegation ultimately reflects the diversity of Idaho.

## ESSENTIAL STEPS

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<b>Target Representation Goals</b>	African Americans	Hispanic	Native Americans	Asian Americans & Pacific Islanders	LGBT	People with Disabilities	Youth 18-36
<i>% of Democratic Electorate</i>	.45	11.8	1.7	1.4	7	12.7	37
<i>Numeric Goals for Delegation</i>	1	4	1	1	2	6	9

This checklist is a brief summary of the Essential Steps to running to be a delegate.

Meet the basic qualifications;

- ✓ Attend a County caucus and be elected as a delegate to State Convention;
- ✓ File the appropriate Statement of Delegate Candidacy;
- ✓ Attend State Convention, campaign for and win election as a delegate to the National Convention.

## BASIC QUALIFICATIONS

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The Idaho Democratic Party actively encourages broad participation in the election process and in the delegate selection process. There are, however, some basic qualifications that must be met by those wishing to serve as delegates to the National Convention. All delegates must be:

- ✓ Be 18 years of age on or before November 8, 2016;
- ✓ Register to vote on or before March 22, 2016 unless they are under 18;
- ✓ Residents of their county;
- ✓ Publicly declare themselves as Democrats and that they will not participate in the nominating process of any other party.

September 15, 2015    Online                      “How to be a Delegate” materials published on idahodems.org

October 3, 2015        Lewiston                      Mock Caucus

## Delegate Selection Workshop Schedule

**How to Caucus Webinars-** Please join us for a short information session to find out the details on attending your local county caucus to vote for your Presidential nominee and how to run to be a State and National Convention delegate. All sessions will be identical feel free to attend the one that fits your schedule best.

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**Mock Caucus in Boise February 27 1pm-3pm** - Come practice the caucus process amongst friends! <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/mock-democratic-caucus-tickets-20868744978>

## Delegate Selection Timeline

2016 Dates	Activity
February 15	County Caucus locations are announced. Every effort will be made to assure that locations are handicapped accessible.
March 22	Presidential preference county caucuses, 6:00pm PT. Delegates must file to be eligible to run for election to State Convention.
April 1	County Chairs issues news releases regarding delegates and alternates selected at County Caucus.
June 15	5:00pm final deadline for filing statement of candidacy and pledge of support forms with the Idaho Democratic Committee for District Level delegate and alternate, PLEOs and at-large delegates.
June 17	5:00pm deadline for presidential candidates to return the list of approved delegate candidates to the State Party.
June 16-19	State Convention to be convened in Boise, Idaho
July 25	Democratic National Convention to be convened in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

## Delegate Selection Forms

### COUNTY CAUCUS PLEDGE FORM

"I am or will be a qualified elector in the 2016 General Election. I reside in \_\_\_\_\_ County and I am a member of the Democratic Party. Should the party desire to publish my name as such, I hereby agree."

PLEASE PRINT:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby declare my support for this presidential candidate (or declare as uncommitted):

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STATE DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY FORM

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I would like to run as a delegate to State Convention June 17-19 in Boise, Idaho. I recognize that I am responsible for all costs associated with this meeting.

PLEASE PRINT:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Voting Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I plan to also run as a delegate for National Convention July 25- 28 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and realize my National Declaration of Candidacy Form must be submitted by June 15, 2016.

NATIONAL DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY FORM

Idaho State Democratic Party
Declaration of Candidacy for 2016 National Convention Delegate

Name
Address
City State Zip
Phone Cell-Phone
Email

National Delegate Classifications

(Check all positions for which you wish to apply – may be a candidate at multiple levels but must choose within one category)

- 1st Congressional District
2nd Congressional District
Un-pledged Party Leader and Elected Officials
Pledged Party Leaders and Elected Officials
At-Large Delegates
At-Large Alternates

Party Leader or Elected Official Information

- Male
Female
African American
Asian/Pacific Islander
Latino
Native American
Tribe
Caucasian
Youth
Gay/Lesbian
Labor Affiliation
Senior Citizen
Person of Disability
Other

Statewide Elected Official
County Official
Mayor
Party Position
State Legislator
Municipal Office
Labor Official
Other

Title (please specify)

Demographic Information (please check all that apply)

Idaho State Democratic Convention
June 17-19, 2016
Location TBD
Boise, ID

Submit Declaration forms to:
Idaho Democratic Party
812 W Franklin St.
Boise, ID 83702
Sally@idahodems.org

Deadline for submission of candidacy must be received by 5:00pm, June 15, 2016

# Delegate Education Flyer

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At-Large	5	2	Elected by a State Delegates at State Convention. File 6/15/16.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>2</b>	

## Delegate Categories

### Affirmative Action Guidelines

To encourage full participation in the delegate selection process, the Idaho Democratic Party has adopted an affirmative action program that includes contacting constituency organizations and holding outreach workshops both in-person and via webinar. We encourage all Democrats to become involved in the delegate selection process and continue to be involved with the Party. The target representation goals are:

- 1 African American
- 4 Hispanic
- 1 Native American
- 1 Asian American or Pacific Islander
- 2 LGBT
- 6 People with Disabilities
- 9 Youth 18-36



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More information about the Delegate Selection Process can be found on [idahodems.org](http://idahodems.org)



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## DEMOCRATIC PARTY CONVENTION DELEGATE SELECTION PROCESS



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### Understanding the Delegate Selection Process

#### ESSENTIAL STEPS

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