

WHAT IS A PRIMARY ELECTION?

The Democrat and Republican parties hold open primaries on the third Tuesday in May, every even-numbered year. In this election, voters have the option of choosing which one of three ballots they wish to vote.

Democratic Preferential Primary Ballot: The ballot will include contested Democratic races, contested Nonpartisan Judicial General Election races, Annual School Board candidates, and millage questions with the exception of the Bentonville School District.

Republican Preferential Primary Ballot: The ballot will include contested Republican races, contested Nonpartisan Judicial General Election races, Annual School Board candidates, and millage questions with the exception of the Bentonville School District.

Nonpartisan Judicial General Election Ballot: The ballot will include contested Nonpartisan Judicial General Election races, Annual School Board candidates and millage questions with the exception of the Bentonville School District.

In the event of a runoff, **only** voters who voted in:

- the same party's initial election
- the Non-partisan/judicial election, or
- Did not vote at all

may vote in the runoff election.

Unopposed candidates for the Democratic Preferential Primary, Republican Preferential Primary and Nonpartisan Judicial General Election are no longer required to be printed on the ballot. A.C.A. § 7-3-104.

A full list of candidates may be viewed on the vote.bentoncountyar.gov website, under Candidate Filings.