

Partisan Nominations & Primary Elections

Code Exercise

Directions: For each question provide the answer AND appropriate section in the *Code of Iowa*.

1. Can a school district have a bond issue election on June 23, 2008?
2. There are no contests on the primary election ballot for the Republican Party. May Republican precinct election officials change party affiliation (to Democratic) and vote on Primary Election Day?
3. The turnout for Primary Elections has always been very low. My county has 10 precincts. May I combine them for the Primary and have only 4 polling places?
4. There is no candidate on the Democratic Party's ballot for county sheriff. I am a registered Democrat, but really like one of the Republican candidates for sheriff. What happens if I write in a Republican candidate on my Democratic ballot?
5. My daughter is in the military and was just sent overseas. She asked me to get her an absentee ballot for the primary. How do I do that?
6. The Board of Supervisors wants to include a bond issue election for a new county office building on the ballot for the Primary. When must they give me the ballot language?
7. There are six candidates for county supervisor on one party's primary election ballot. We need to have two people nominated. I know a person must have at least 35% of the vote in order to win. With so many people running how can anyone be nominated?

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8. One of the parties has no candidate for sheriff again. They haven't had a candidate for twenty years. Four people received write-in votes. How do we know if anyone has enough votes for the nomination?

9. The political parties want to tell us who can work at the polls. Can they do that?

10. Nobody votes in the primary election, why do we have to be open on the two Saturdays before the election?