

IDAHO DEMOCRATS

# Exec Updates

## October, 2023

# Candidate Recruitment

## List of Candidate Prospects sent to SCC

The list of prospective candidates was sent by Katie to the SCC on October 4th. Please encourage chairs to provide feedback on those candidates. Note: some previous candidates maybe missing if we have already talked to them.

## Candidate Information Meeting

We will host an informational meeting on November 16th for prospects who seemed interested. We will send details and a link to the SCC for candidates that are interested in attending. All candidates and counties will get sent our brand new candidate packet in the next few weeks.



# Precinct Captain Communication

## Precinct Captain Town Hall

To be held in Mid November – this is an opportunity to update them on what IDP is up to and ways that they can plug in. Also a way to IDP to help county parties spur interest and get people to door knock/volunteer.

## Staff Report Sent to Precinct Captains

We are revamping the staff report to go to a broader audience so that more people can know what the IDP is working on and how they can get involved. Anthony is working on getting the most up to date precinct captain email list.



# 2023 Election Assistance





## MAIN STREET PROGRAM

Since July, we have been offering bi-weekly training to all our Dem candidates running for office this year. We've seen good attendance and have covered topics from VAN to Press to GOTV.

## TEXTING



We just completed 48,0000 texts to Dems asking them if they want an absentee ballot. We had over 1,918 say yes! This is the third major absentee text bank we've done account for over 100,000+ absentee texts to Dems sent this year.

Hi Clinton, this is Jared with the Idaho Democrats. On November 7th, there are important elections in your community for offices like mayor, city council, and school board. We want to make sure Democrats turn out to vote and elect candidates that share our values. Would you like to sign up for a mail-in ballot for this year? Reply STOP to opt out.

8 days ago

Yes! Please  
2 days ago

☆ ENDORSED BY LOCAL DEMOCRATS



Lauren  
McLean



## ENDORSEMENTS + GOTV TEXTS

Our local committees have endorsed over 36 candidates for office! We will start sending GOTV texts to Dems to make sure they get out to support these candidates.

## 2023 IDAHO DEMS VOTER GUIDE

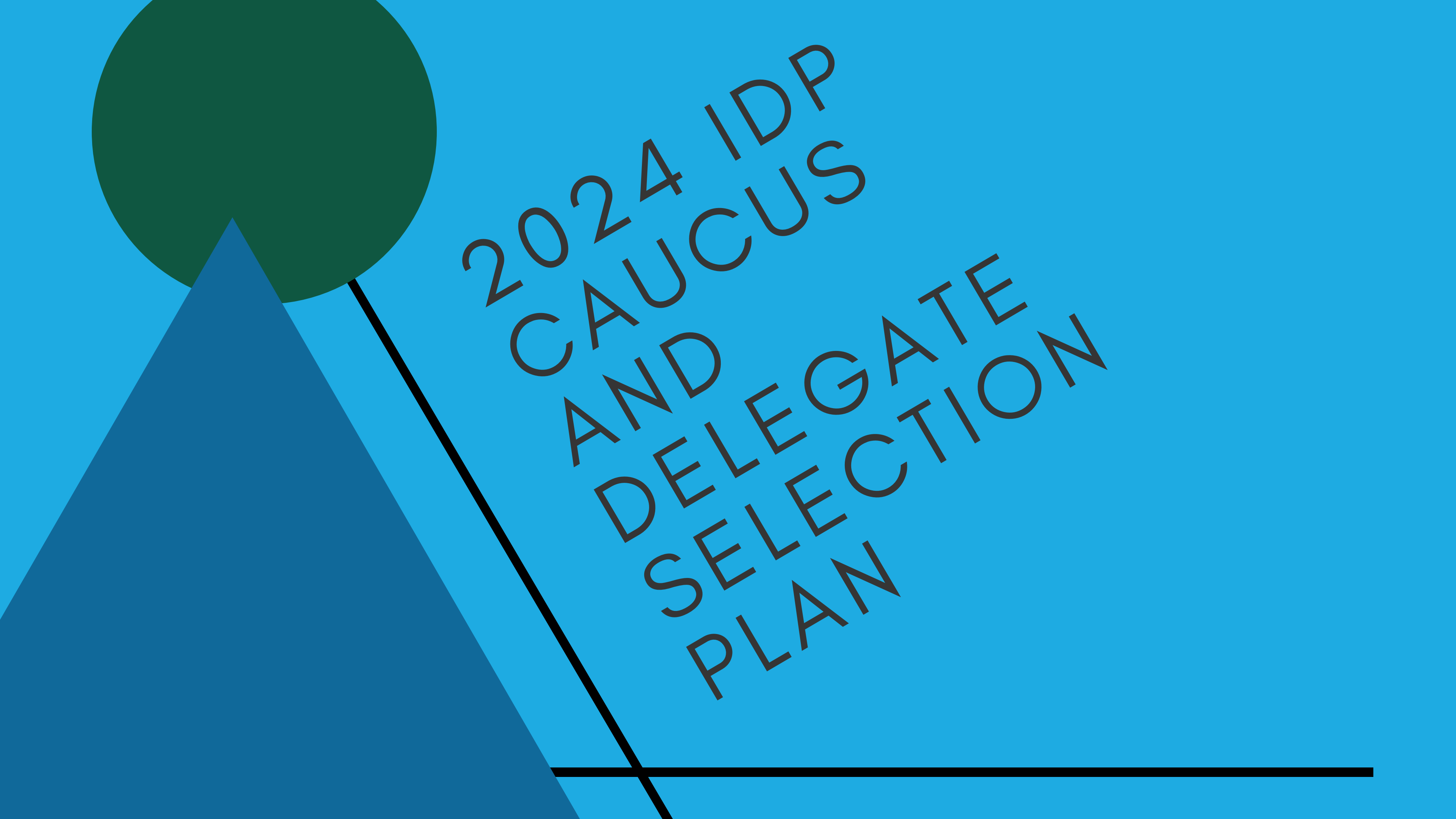
We have created a voter guide that has election information for most of our bigger races across the state. The site allows voters to see their candidates, any local endorsements, and do things like check registration and polling places.



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# Local Election Voter Guide

Be a voter. Find everything you need to vote in the November 7 election.



2024 IDP  
CAUCUS  
AND DELEGATE  
SELECTION  
PLAN



## **PLAN SUBMITTED TO DNC RBC BY JULY 14TH**

Including launch of affirmative action committee, media plan, and showing financial ability to hold caucuses



## **PLAN RECEIVED CONDITIONAL APPROVAL**

Plan came back with edits on timing of a few deadlines but overall meets the requirements of the DNC

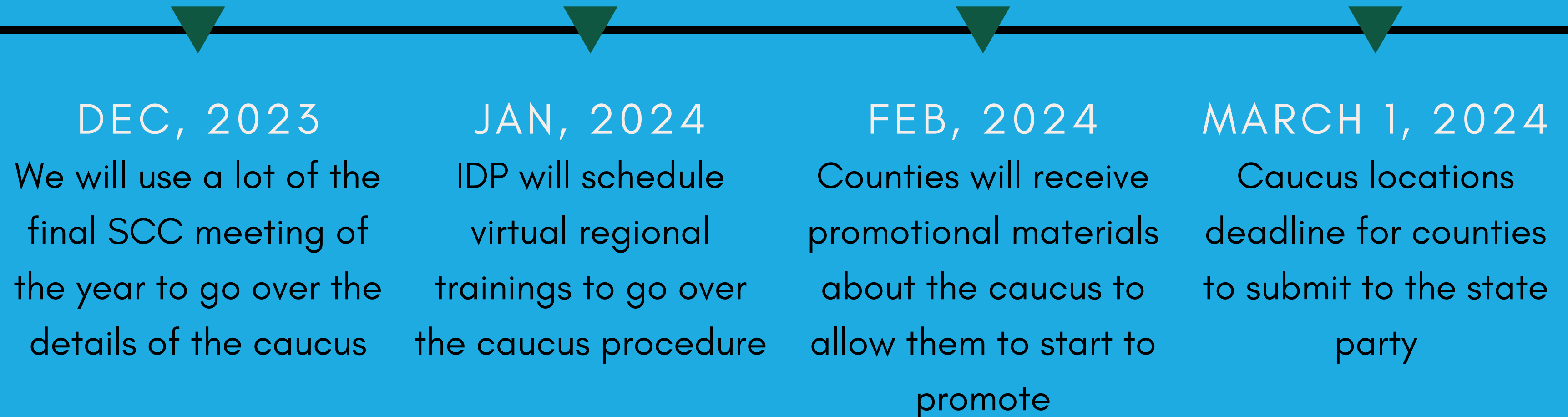


## **PLAN RESUBMITTED FOR FINAL APPROVAL**

Should hear back in 30 days if edits move us into compliance



# CAUCUS TIMELINE



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MAY 1, 2024

Deadline for someone to file to be a delegate to the STATE CONVENTION and be on the ballot for the May, 23rd Caucus

MAY 16TH

Last day to apply for a ballot if someone cannot attend in person for one of the approved reasons

MAY 21, 2024

State Run Primary Election

MAY 23, 2024

CAUCUS DAY  
Caucuses held. 5-8pm  
Local Time

# CAUCUS TIMELINE



MAY 24, 2024

Filing opens to run for a national delegate spot to the DNC Convention

MAY 31, 2024

Filing CLOSES to run for a spot to the DNC Convention

JUNE 22

Elections for delegate positions held at the State Convention in Moscow, Idaho

AUGUST 19-22, 2024

Democratic National Convention, Chicago

## DISTRICT LEVEL DELEGATES

CD 1: 6 Delegates

CD 2: 7 Delegates

Must be balanced by gender

## AT-LARGE DELEGATES

5 Delegates

Must be balanced by gender

## PLEO DELEGATES

3 Delegates

Must be balanced by gender

## ALTERNATES

2 Delegates

Must be balanced by gender

**27 Total Delegates**

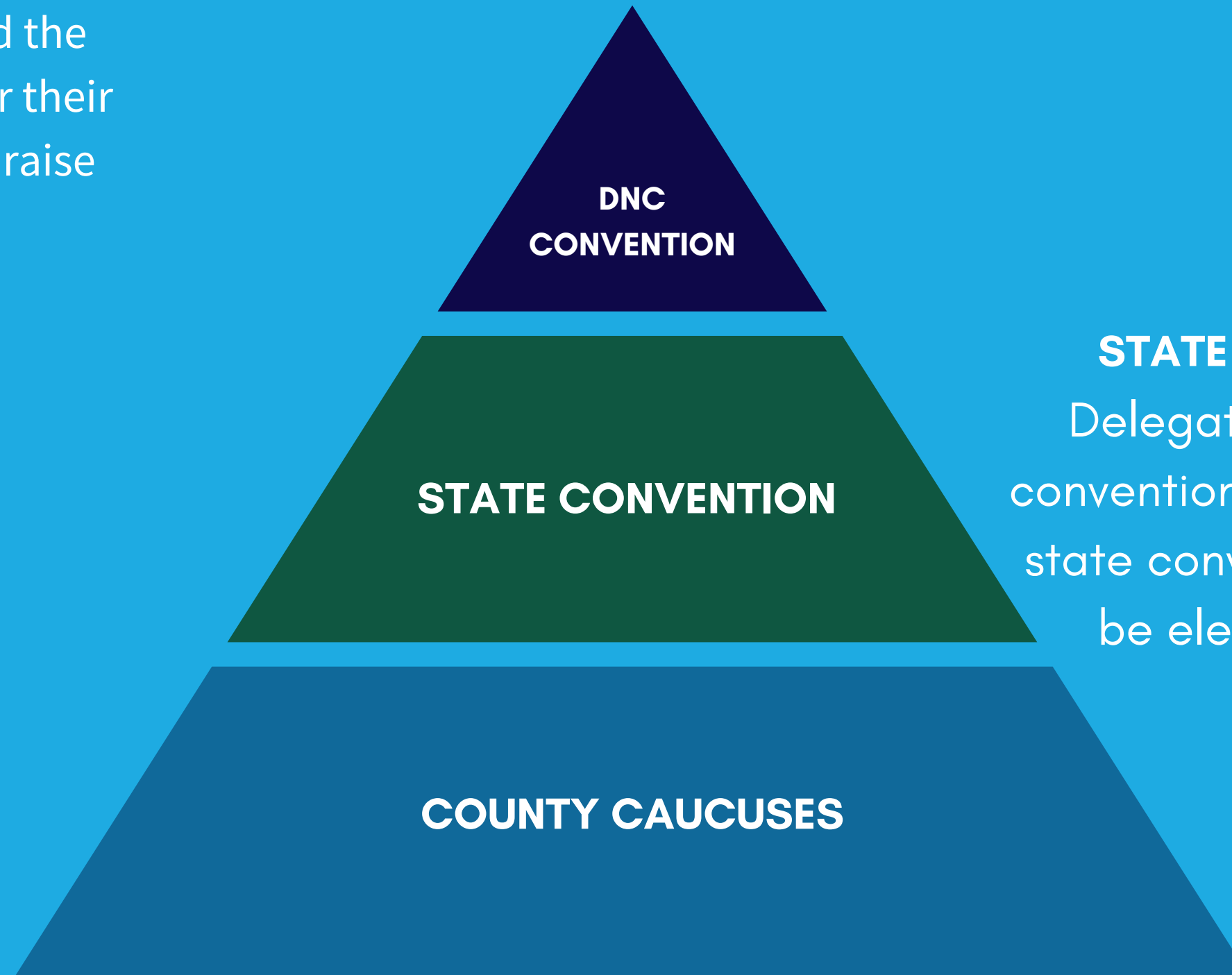
# STEPS TO BECOMING A DELEGATE

## DNC CONVENTION

Delegates must be able to attend the convention in person and pay for their own travel and expenses or fundraise

## COUNTY DELEGATES SELECTED

Delegates to the state convention are elected at the caucuses. Each county is allotted a # of delegates. Voters will vote on who is chosen on caucus day. Delegates must be pledged to a presidential candidate.



## STATE CONVENTION

Delegates are selected to the national convention at the State Convention. Of 482 state convention delegates, 27 are able to be elected to the DNC Convention.

# RUNNING THE CAUCUS

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## WHAT IT WILL LOOK LIKE

From 5-8pm (local time) voters will be able to go to a caucus location in their county. They will check in and be confirmed as either a registered Dem or an unaffiliated voter who signs a pledge to participate only as a Dem. They will then be given a ballot with the choices for the Dem nominee for president. They will also on that ballot vote for the delegates pledged to that nominee to the state convention. They will then put their ballot in a ballot box and leave the location.

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## WHAT IT WILL **NOT** LOOK LIKE

What the caucuses will NOT look like this year is what most people probably think of when they think of a caucus. There will be no speeches or dividing into corners or reallocations if a candidate fails to 15% of the vote. This should ensure that this is accessible to as many people as possible.

# RUNNING THE CAUCUS: LOCATIONS

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## LOCATIONS

Every county must have at least one location. We are currently working with the DNC to see if there will be a population requirements for larger counties to have a certain number of locations based on population. Larger counties like Ada, Canyon, Kootenai, and Bannock should expect to have more than one location. **However, times are not flexible and all voting must happen from 5pm-8pm local time.**



# WHO CAN VOTE IN THE CAUCUS

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## DEMOCRATS + UNAFFILIATED VOTERS

The only voters who can participate in the caucus are registered Democrats and Unaffiliated voters who sign a pledge that they are participating as Democrats and have not participated in any other parties nominating contest for President.

We will also allow anyone who is 17 and will be 18 by the general election date to participate. We will also allow people to register and change their party affiliation at the caucus location.

# FAQ: WHAT ABOUT PEOPLE WHO CANNOT ATTEND THE CAUCUSES IN PERSON?

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## ABSENTEE VOTING

Starting on **February 1st** and ending on **May 16th** voters who meet one of the listed reasons for not being able to attend the caucus may request a ballot be sent to them. Ballots must be returned back to IDP HQ no later than **8pm May 23rd** to be counted. The request form will be on the IDP website starting Feb 1, 2024.

Acceptable reasons: military service, disability, illness, work, or childcare obligations

# FAQ: DO I NEED TO ATTEND THE STATE CONVENTION IN PERSON TO RUN FOR DELEGATE

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## STATE CONVENTION ATTENDANCE

You do not need to attend the state convention in person if you plan to run for National Delegate. You do however need to file for a delegate position no later than May 31st.

However, there will be NO virtual option for the Delegate Selection process at the 2024 State Convention so to vote you must either give your proxy to someone or attend in person.

# FAQ: HOW WILL WE GET OUR BALLOTS FOR THE CAUCUS

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## BALLOTS FOR CAUCUS

All delegates that plan on running for a spot to the State Convention in Moscow Idaho on June 22-23rd must file to run with the state party no later than May 1st. The State Party will then create and mail the ballots to the county chair or a designee. Ballots will not be able to be changed or edited in any way once they have been created and mailed.

# FAQ: HOW WILL WE COUNT BALLOTS AND WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

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## COUNTING BALLOTS + CALCULATING DELEGATES

At the end of the caucus, the county chair or a designee, will first tabulate the Presidential vote totals. For any candidate to receive any delegates to the State Convention they must receive at least 15% of the vote in the county. The chair, or designee, will then tabulate total votes for delegates to the State Convention. These totals (Presidential vote + vote each delegate got in the county) will then be communicated back to IDP and we will communicate back unofficial results of who your delegates are for the State Convention. The next day you must mail or deliver ballots to IDP HQ to be kept for not less than 2 years.

# FAQ:WHAT DO COUNTIES NEED TO DO FOR THE CAUCUS

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## COUNTY RESPONSIBILITIES

The biggest responsibility of the county party is to find a location for the caucus and to administer the caucus. Additionally, the county parties must help advertise the caucus time, date, and location in local newspapers, and on their websites. Counties are also responsible for counting ballots, communicating the results back to the state party, and mailing ballots back to the IDP HQ.

# FAQ: WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A CAUCUS LOCATION?

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## CAUCUS LOCATIONS

Caucus locations is buildings must be ADA accessible. If this cannot be found we will need to work out with counties how someone who cannot enter the building can cast their ballot. Work with IDP staff if this is a problem. Counties may also conduct curbside voting (drive through voting).

Locations should have: internet, cell service, sufficient parking, bathrooms, etc.

# FAQ: HOW ARE WE ENSURING WE HAVE A DIVERSE DELEGATION?

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## DIVERSITY OF OUR DELEGATION

In February of 2023 Chair Necochea sat the IDP's 2024 Affirmative Action Committee. This committee has put together a plan to reach out to minority and underrepresented communities in Idaho and educate them on how to and encourage them to run to be a delegate to the state and national conventions.

The DNC requires, and the committee has submitted, representation goals for our delegation such as: Af Am (1), Hispanic (5), Youth (9), people with disabilities (4), LGBTQ (2), Veterans (4), Labor (2)



Questions?