

CALL TO CAUCUS TO NOMINATE A DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE
Virginia State Senate District 28
State Senator
June 3, 2023

The Virginia State Senate District 28 Democratic Nominating Committee will hold an unassembled caucus (firehouse primary) on **June 3, 2023**, between **10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at 205 S. East St, Suite A, Culpeper, Virginia 22701**, for the purpose of nominating a Democratic candidate for the November 7, 2023, General Election for Virginia State Senate District 28, State Senator. If only one or no candidate has filed by May 28, the caucus will be canceled.

I. Candidate Filing:

Each person seeking to become the Democratic nominee for the General Election for Virginia State Senate District 28 shall file a Declaration of Candidacy form with the Culpeper County Democratic Committee Chair and a \$100 fee made payable to the Culpeper County Democratic Committee. Filing deadline is **May 28, 2023, at 5:00 PM at 205 S. East St, Suite A, Culpeper, Virginia 22701**. Only those candidates who have timely and properly filed a Declaration of Candidacy form and paid the filing fee will have their names placed in nomination. The Declaration of Candidacy form will be available at request by email from form_request@dwiedenfeld.org.

II. Qualification of Candidates:

The Declaration of Candidacy form, which the candidate must sign, will include a written declaration that the candidate:

- Is a Democrat and not a member of any other political party;
- Meets all requirements of state law to be placed on the ballot for the General Election;
- Is eligible to be a member of the Senate of Virginia under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia;
- Does not intend to support, endorse, or assist any candidate who is opposed to the Democratic nominee in this General Election;
- Will not participate in the nominating process of any other political party for this General Election;
- Agrees to abide by the Caucus Rules, the Virginia Democratic Party Plan, and all laws applicable to this nominating process and the General Election; and
- Is registered and qualified to vote in a locality within Virginia State Senate District 28.

III. Notice:

The Virginia State Senate District 28 Nominating Committee shall provide notice of this caucus by placement of a general notice of the caucus, including noticing the caucus date, time, and location, along with the Call to Caucus, on the Democratic Party of Virginia, the Culpeper, Fauquier, Greene, Madison, Orange, Rappahannock, and Spotsylvania Democratic Committees' websites; by email notification to the members of those committees; through a press release provided to all relevant newspapers of general circulation in Virginia State Senate District 28; and through other reasonable means that will disseminate information about the caucus to registered voters in Virginia State Senate District 28. In addition, reasonable actions shall be taken to promote participation in the caucus in accordance with the Affirmative Action provisions of the Party Plan of the DPVA.

IV. Participation:

Every Democrat who is a registered voter in Virginia State Senate District 28 is urged to attend and participate. Each participant must sign a written declaration that he or she:

- Is a Democrat and not a member of any other political party;
- Does not intend to support any candidate who is opposed to a Democratic nominee in this General Election;
- Has not participated in and will not participate in the nominating process of any other party for the positions listed above; and
- Is registered to vote in a locality within Virginia State Senate District 28.

V. Conduct of Caucus

Voting will begin at 10:00 AM and will close at 2:00 PM. Those in line at the close of voting will be permitted to vote.

The Chair of the Virginia State Senate District 28 Democratic Nominating Committee, or his or her designee, shall be the Chair of the Caucus and shall appoint a Secretary and such other Officers of the Caucus as is deemed appropriate. The Virginia State Senate District 28 Democratic Nominating Committee will prepare the Rules for the Caucus.

VI. Determination of Nominee:

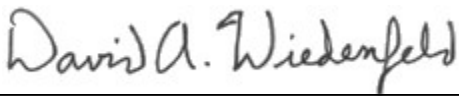
If more than one candidate files for the Democratic nominee for Virginia State Senate District 28 by the deadline, the candidates will be listed alphabetically on the ballot and will be elected by a plurality of the votes of the unassembled caucus.

If only one person files properly to be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Virginia State Senate District 28 by the filing deadline, the Virginia State Senate District 28 Democratic Nominating Committee may cancel the caucus and declare that person the nominee, and the filing fee will be returned to that candidate. If no person files properly to be a candidate for the Democratic nominee for Virginia State Senate District 28 by the deadline, the Virginia State Senate District 28 Democratic Nominating Committee may cancel the caucus. If there is no filed candidate, or if the properly nominated candidate withdraws or dies, or if the caucus is unable or does not occur in the times and dates specified, the Virginia State Senate District 28 Democratic Nominating Committee Chair may, before June 13, 2023, at 7:00 PM, convene the Virginia State Senate District 28 Democratic Nominating Committee to consider the nomination of a qualified candidate who may become the Democratic nominee upon first filing with the Chair a Declaration of Candidacy form.

VII. Waivers:

The Virginia State Senate District 28 Democratic Nominating Committee shall seek appropriate waivers from the Democratic Party of Virginia (DPVA) regarding expediting the time frames required by the Party Plan, if necessary.

ADOPTED: May 17, 2023
Date


Chair, Va. Senate Dist. 28 Democratic Nominating Committee

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