Mesa County Caucus & Assembly 2024

Let's Talk About the First Steps to the 2024 General Election!





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01 WHAT IS CAUCUS

WHAT IS IT, WHY DO WE DO IT, AND WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?



WHAT IS CAUCUS?

Caucus is a gathering of members of a political party to elect delegates to assembly.

- Designate candidate preference through STRAW polls
- Elect Precinct Organizers
- Elect delegates to attend assemblies





WHY CAUCUS?

Caucuses are perhaps outdated, but they are still important! Caucuses allow Democrats to connect with their party on the most grassroots level, and meet like-minded folks in their community. We elect our Precinct Organizers at caucus, one of our most important positions!

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?



RESIDENCY

Must be resident of the precinct they are voting in for at least 22 days



REGISTRATION

Must be a registered Democrat



AGE

18 years of age or older



ATTENDANCE

Anyone can attend, but only those meeting the above req's may vote





CAUCUS AGENDA

AGENDA ITEM

- Check in and Registration
- 2 Read Rules
- Take Any
 Desired
 Straw Polls
- Elect Precinct Organizers
- 5 Elect Delegates

PURPOSE

Verify eligibility and voting status of attendees Give everyone an understanding of the rules

Let's caucus attendees know where potential delegates stand

Our on the ground organizing structure!

To County Assembly



WHAT ARE ASSEMBLY & **CONVENTION?**

WHAT ARE THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN ASSEMBLY AND CONVENTION? WHAT ARE THEIR PURPOSES?



WHAT IS ASSEMBLY?

Assembly is a gathering of delegates to declare their candidate preference for primary election ballots and elect delegates to higher-level assemblies.

- Designate candidate preference through PREFERENCE polls
- Elect delegates to attend assemblies
 - Multi-County Assembly
 - Congressional District Assembly
 - State Assembly



WHAT IS CONVENTION?

Convention is a gathering of delegates to elect delegates to higher-level conventions for the purpose of selecting a nominee for President.

- Delegates are elected to elect other delegates to go on to the Democratic National Convention
- County Convention elects delegates to State and Congressional District Conventions
 - At State and Congressional District Convention, delegates are elected to National Convention.



WHEN & WHERE CAUCUS & ASSEMBLY

HERE ARE THE DETAILS FOR THE MESA COUNTY CAUCUS AND ASSEMBLY



WHEN & WHERE ARE CAUCUS & ASSEMBLY?





WHERE

MASONIC LODGE

Grand Valley Event Center 2400 Consistory Court Grand Junction, CO, 81501



WHEN

Caucus & Assembly are held on the same day - March 9th, 2024

Caucus:

- Registration Begins @ 8am
- Caucus Begins @ 9am

Assembly:

- Assembly Begins @ approx. 1pm



04 TIMELINE & EVENTS

WHAT ARE THE STEPS AND WHEN DO THEY OCCUR?



Must attend in **Timeline & Events** person! Virtual Options for VS. Attendance Available! **CAUCUS** First step, elects delegates to county assembly 2nd step, candidate **ASSEMBLY** preference @ county STATE 3rd step, candidate level **ASSEMBLY** preference @ Elect delegates to multi-county level Final step, candidate multicounty & state Ex. CD3, HD54 preference @ state level

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HOW CAN YOU BE A DELEGATE?





ANYONE CAN BE A DELEGATE!

If you want to be a delegate, you simply have to declare your desire to be one at Caucus and be committed to attending County Assembly (same day).

At County Assembly, you will submit your name to be a delegate to Multi-County and State Assemblies and be voted on. Rarely are enough people asking to be delegates that it becomes contested.