

Board of Elections Info.

Maryland Elections: Behind the Scenes (video)

<https://youtu.be/-dt4Bk5w000?si=ufohlIp-pWAWC1ac>

Maryland State Board of Elections 2026 Gubernatorial Calendar

https://elections.maryland.gov/elections/2026/2026_Election_Calendar.pdf

FYI:

Per Maryland Election Law § 2-203, each county is responsible for funding the daily operations of its local board of elections. This includes personnel expenses, worker's compensation, unemployment insurance, polling place operation expenses, supplies and equipment.

Per Maryland Election Law § 10-101, each polling place shall be in the precinct that it serves unless no suitable location for a polling place can be found within that precinct, in which case the board may establish the polling place in an adjacent precinct.

- Dorchester County has 44 precincts
- Many of these precincts have been consolidated to adjacent precincts resulting in 21 election day polling places for 44 precincts
 - 13 of the 21 polling places are privately owned and must be compensated for the use of the facility
 - We hire 200 Election Judges required to staff election day polling places
- Dorchester County has 1 early voting center that must operate for 8 days prior to each election
 - We hire 88 Election Judges required to staff early voting center

The Maryland State Board of Elections is procuring new voting equipment for the 2028 elections that counties will begin paying for in FY27. A new voting system is typically procured approximately every 10 years, which is paid for by each county over several years.

There is an election every fiscal year. For example:

- Gubernatorial Primary: June, 2026 (FY26)
- Gubernatorial General: November, 2026 (FY27)
- Presidential Primary: April, 2028 (FY28)
- Presidential General: November, 2028 (FY29)