Model Delegate Selection Plan
For the 2020 Democratic National Convention

Information about the Model Plan

The DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee staff is furnishing this Model Delegate Selection Plan to each State Democratic Party (including the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, the Virgin Islands, the Northern Mariana Islands, and Democrats Abroad) to assist with the preparation of its respective Plan for the 2020 delegate selection process. State Parties are welcome, but not required, to follow this “model” format.

Provisions applicable for a “typical” primary or caucus state are included in this Model Plan. A State Party will need to adapt this document to reflect and describe its own unique primary or caucus process. Throughout the Model Plan, bold and italicized text is used to highlight where system specific dates or information is to be inserted, or to provide additional information to assist with completing the Plan.

On the next page, information can be entered into the highlighted fields to fill in certain information automatically throughout the Plan.

Once a State Party has drafted its Delegate Selection Plan, we recommend that it review the draft using the “Checklist for State Delegate Selection Plans.” We provide this companion document with the Model Plan to assist State Parties with the drafting process.

State Delegate Selection Plans must be submitted to the Rules and Bylaws Committee by May 3, 2019. Before submitting the Plan, the State Party must be approved it following a 30-day public comment period.

The Model Plan is also available to State Parties electronically from the Office of Party Affairs and Delegate Selection at the Democratic National Committee. For more information please contact the Office of Party Affairs and Delegate Selection at 202-863-8055 or via email at partyaffairs@dnc.org.
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# The Alaska Delegate Selection Plan
## For the 2020 Democratic National Convention

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Delegate Selection Plan
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Section I
Introduction & Description of Delegate Selection Process

A. Introduction

1. Alaska has a total of 19 delegates and 2 alternates. (Call I & Appendix B)

2. The delegate selection process is governed by the Charter and Bylaws of the Democratic Party of the United States, the Delegate Selection Rules for the 2020 Democratic National Convention ("Rules"), the Call for the 2020 Democratic National Convention ("Call"), the Regulations of the Rules and Bylaws Committee for the 2020 Democratic National Convention ("Regs."), the rules of the Democratic Party of Alaska, the Alaska election code, and this Delegate Selection Plan. (Call II.A)

3. Following the State Party Committee’s adoption of this Delegate Selection Plan, the State Party shall submit the Plan for review and approval by the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee ("RBC"). The State Party Chair shall be empowered to make any technical revisions to this document as required by the RBC to correct any omissions and/or deficiencies as found by the RBC to ensure its full compliance with Party Rules. Such corrections shall be made by the State Party Chair and the Plan resubmitted to the RBC within 30 days of receipt of notice of the RBC’s findings. (Reg. 2.5, Reg. 2.6 & Reg. 2.7)

4. Once this Plan has been found in Compliance by the RBC, any amendment to the Plan by the State Party must be submitted to and approved by the RBC before it becomes effective. (Reg. 2.9)

B. Description of Delegate Selection Process

1. Alaska will use a proportional representation system based on the results of a Party – Run primary for apportioning delegates to the 2020 Democratic National Convention.

2. The Alaska Democratic Party will mail to every registered Democrat on February 19, 2020, information explaining each way in which a voter may cast a ballot in the 2020 Party-Run process, using a list of all Democrats registered with the Alaska Division of Elections as of February 1, 2020. The same information will be made available via
the state party website, Facebook page and via email beginning February 19. On March 7, 2020, the Alaska Democratic Party will mail every registered Democrat a ballot using a list of all registered Democrats with the Division of Elections as of February 18, 2020. In addition, voters may choose to vote by absentee ballot. Absentee ballots can be requested on the state party website until February 24. New voters, voters wishing to change their party affiliation, and registered Democrats that did not receive a ballot or require a new ballot may download voter registration forms and a ballot off of the Alaska Democratic Party website beginning on March 23, 2020 until April 10, 2020. All ballots must be received by the Alaska Democratic Party via mail by April 10, 2020. All voting methods will use ranked choice voting. Ranked choice voting allows for maximum engagement and follows the traditional caucus method of achieving viability.

3. Voters shall rank five candidates in the order in which they prefer them. Tabulation of votes proceeds in rounds. If all candidates are above the 15% threshold in the congressional district or in statewide, as applicable, then the process is complete.

a. If any candidate is under the 15% threshold, the candidate with the fewest votes shall be eliminated and votes for the eliminated candidate shall be added to the totals of each ballot’s next-highest ranked continuing candidate.

b. After votes from eliminated candidates have been added to voters’ next choices, the votes for the remaining candidates shall be retabulated and, if there are still candidates under the 15% threshold, this process shall repeat until all remaining candidates are above the threshold.

C. Voter Participation

1. Participation in Alaska’s delegate selection process is open to all voters who wish to participate as Democrats. (Rule 2.A and Rule 2.C.)

a. Any qualified Alaska voter or any person who will have met all the qualifications of a voter at the next general election, and who has filled out a voter registration form designating their party as the Democratic Party is qualified to vote in the Party-Run Primary. Individuals shall be afforded the opportunity to register to vote or register as a Democrat prior to casting a ballot.

b. An overview of the state’s voter registration, enrollment procedures, and/or declaration process including:

(1) Alaska registers voters by party.

(2) Voters who are not registered as Democrats are given the opportunity to participate in the process by changing their voter registration to Democrat by February 18, 2020 in order to proactively receive a ballot
and postmarked return envelope. Those who miss that deadline may download a ballot and voter registration form off the Alaska Democratic Party’s website beginning on March 23, 2020 until April 10, 2020. Downloaded Ballots and registration forms must be completed and received via mail by the Democratic Party by April 10, 2020; (Rule 2.A & Reg. 4.3.B)

(3) Persons who request an absentee ballot on the Alaska Democratic Party’s website by February 24th will be mailed a ballot by the Alaska Democratic Party complete a new voter registration application with the Alaska Democratic Party and complete a downloaded ballot may cast a ballot by mail. Downloaded Ballots and registration forms must be completed and received via mail by the Democratic Party by April 10, 2020. New Voter Registrations will be obtained daily from the Alaska Division of Elections beginning February 15. (Rule 2.A & Reg. 4.3.A)

c. To encourage participation by youth in the delegate selection process, any individual who will have turned 18 by the date of the general election will be allowed to participate in the delegate selection process. (Reg. 4.3.C)

d. At no stage of Alaska’s delegate selection process shall any person be required, directly or indirectly, to pay a cost or fee as a condition for participating. Voluntary contributions to the Party may be made, but under no circumstances shall a contribution be mandatory for participation. A registration fee will be charged for delegates attending the state convention in order to help offset costs of the event; however, no delegate will be excluded from voting if they do not pay the voluntary fee. The state party may solicit voluntary contributions to help offset the cost of the party-run primary; however, no Democrat will be excluded from voting if they do not make a voluntary contribution. (Rule 2.D & Reg. 4.4)

e. No person shall participate or vote in the nominating process for the Democratic presidential candidate who also participates in the nominating process of any other party for the corresponding election. (Rule 2.E)

f. Votes shall not be taken by secret ballot at any stage of the delegate selection process, including processes leading up to the selection of DNC Members or State Chairs or Vice Chairs, who serve as DNC members by virtue of their office, except that use of such voting by secret ballot may be used in a process that is the first determining stage of the delegate election process and in which all individual voters who wish to participate as Democrats are eligible to do so. (Rule 2.F)

g. No person shall vote in more than one (1) meeting which is the first meeting in the delegate selection process. (Rule 3.E & Reg. 4.7)
2. For the purposes of voter registration and voter registration rolls, the Alaska Democratic Party will utilize the latest voter list made available by the Alaska Division of Elections and uploaded into VoteBuilder.

   a. These systems will ensure that the Party can maintain secure and accurate state voter registration rolls, so that every eligible American who registers to vote has their personal information protected and secure; *(Rule 2.H.1)*

   b. Using these systems allows the Party to implement transparent and accurate voter registration list maintenance procedures that comply with federal requirements and ensure that every eligible voter stays on the rolls; *(Rule 2.H.2)*

   c. The party-run primary will use paper ballots with ranked choice voting; *(Rule 2.H.3)*

3. For the purposes of introducing absentee voting into the party-run primary, the Alaska Democratic Party will develop a Request for Proposal that emphasizes the following:

   a. Implement risk limiting post-election audits such as manual audits comparing paper records to electronic records; *(Rule 2.H.5)*

   b. Ensure that all participation systems have recognized security measures; *(Rule 2.H.6)*

   c. Paper Ballots will be utilized. *(Rule 2.H.7)*

4. The Alaska Democratic Party will continue efforts to improve participation with respect to presidential preference and the delegate selection process *(Rule 2.I and 2.I.1)*

   a. The Party will educate voters about same-day party registration and absentee voting; *(Rule 2.I.1.a)*

   b. The Party will make voter registration forms available on its website; *(Rule 2.I.1.b)*

   c. The party will proactively mail every registered Democrat, as of February 18, 2020, a ballot with a postmarked return envelope; *(Rule 2.I.1.c)*

   d. The Party will continue to advocate for elimination of onerous and discriminatory voter identification requirements; for the purposes of the party
run primary, no voter identification requirements may be instituted beyond what is required by Alaska law; *(Rule 2.I.1.d)*

e. The Party will provide notification and education about the extended vote by mail option in lieu of in-person polling locations on April 4, 2020, due to COVID-19 to ensure new voters, voters wishing to change their party affiliation, and Democrats that may not have received a ballot or require a new ballot have an opportunity to participate.; and *(Rule 2.I.1.e)*

f. Military and overseas voting is ensured through absentee voting or downloading a ballot on the Alaska Democratic Party’s website (available March 21, 2020). *(Rule 2.I.1.f)*

5. As part of encouraging participation in the delegate selection process by registered voters the Alaska Democratic Party will send a mailing to all registered Democrats in February 2020 as well as use social media, email and press opportunities to reach Alaskans: *(Rule 2.I.2)*

a. The Party will highlight the online voter registration tool available by the Alaska Division of Elections; *(Rule 2.I.2.a)*

b. The Party will encourage House District leaders to work with local high schools to lead pre-registration voting drives of high school students so that they are already registered once they reach voting age; *(Rule 2.I.2.b)*

c. Alaska law grants automatic restoration of voting rights to all people who have served the time for their criminal conviction, without requiring the payment of court fees or fines; *(Rule 2.I.2.c)* and

d. Voters will be able to register by downloading and completing a voter registration form off the Alaska Democratic Party website to be received with a downloaded and completed ballot by April 10, 2020. *(Rule 2.I.2.d)*

6. The Alaska Democratic Party will take steps to continue efforts to ensure an open and inclusive process that also resists attempts at voter suppression and disenfranchisement.

a. Vendors who provide any support for any element of the party-run primary must reply to a Request for Proposal (RFP) and successfully demonstrate reasonable safeguards against error and fraud to vote absentee or by electronic submission; *(Rule 2.K.1)*

b. The Party will invest in training programs for house district leadership and volunteers to ensure everyone is properly trained for all aspects of the operation of the voting tabulation center in Anchorage, Alaska.
c. Vendors who provide any support must demonstrate technical ability and the resources to successfully run the process; (Rule 2.K.2)

d. The Party will invest in education efforts to highlight voter registration including same-day voter registration and party-affiliation changes in order to participate by mail; (Rule 2.K.3)

e. Results from absentee voting and in person voting will be made available as soon as possible, no later than 11:59 p.m. AKDT, April 11, 2020, on the Alaska Democratic Party Website; (Rule 2.K.4)

f. The allocation of all national delegates, be locked in by the results announced as soon as possible, no later than 11:59 p.m. AKDT, on April 11, 2020, at the first determining step, as determined by the State's Plan, subject to recount; (Rule 2.K.5)

g. All ballots will be kept at the Alaska Democratic Party through the conclusion of the Democratic National Convention. Ensuring final expressions of preference as part of the presidential nominating process are securely preserved, in a method to be specified in the State's Plan, that ensures the availability of a prompt and accurate recount or recanvas; (Rule 2.K.6)

h. Any Presidential candidate may request a recount of the results by submitting a request in writing to the Chair of the Alaska Democratic Party. Request must include the scope of the recount, a description of the challenge, and an explanation about how the national delegation could be altered as a result of the problem or its correction. The decision to grant a recount lies with the Alaska Democratic Party Executive Committee. If a recount is granted it is the responsibility of the requesting presidential campaign to pay for the recount. Any recount granted will be conducted at the Anchorage IBEW Hall and a maximum of two representatives from each campaign will be allowed to participate. Ballots will be counted by members of the Alaska Democratic Party State Central Committee to be designated by the State Chair. Requests for recounts must be received by the Chair no later than 5 p.m. AKDT on April 14, 2020; (Rule 2.K.7)

i. Absentee Balloting will allow voters who are unable to vote in person to participate. This can include, but is not limited to, those serving in the military, those with a disability or illness preventing participation, those who are not able to take time off from work or obtain child care, and other reasons; (Rule 2.K.8) and,

j. The State Party will provide education and outreach to ensure accessibility for people with disabilities and for people with limited English proficiency in
7. Scheduling of Delegate Selection Meetings

The dates, times and places for all official Party meetings and events related to the state’s delegate selection process must be scheduled to encourage the participation of all Democrats. The State Party is responsible for selecting dates and times and locating and confirming the availability of publicly accessible facilities for all official meetings and events related to the process. The State Party will consider any religious observances that could significantly affect participation. Such meetings must begin and end at reasonable hours. (Rule 3.A & Reg. 4.)

a. Ballots will be proactively mailed with a postmarked return envelope to every registered Democrat with the Alaska Division of Elections, as of February 18, 2020, and mail-in ballots available on the Alaska Democratic Party website for new voter, voters wishing to change their affiliation to Democrat, and for registered Democrats that did not receive their ballot on March 23, 2020, until April 10, 2020, for the singular purpose of voting for presidential preference. Ballots must be received via mail by the Alaska Democratic Party by April 10, 2020.

b. Each House District will hold a caucus on Saturday, April 18 for the purpose of electing house district officers and delegates representing the house district to the Alaska Democratic Party State Convention. Delegates are not chosen by presidential preference. The location will be determined by each House District Chair. The District shall convene the district caucus between 10 am and 12 noon. Any registered Democrat may participate and participants will not declare presidential preference. House District Caucus location and times will be posted on the Alaska Democratic Party Website and promoted on social media and through email. (Article IV (e) Party Plan of Organization).
Section II
Presidential Candidates

A. Ballot Access


B. Other Requirements

1. Each presidential candidate shall certify in writing to the State Democratic Chair, the name(s) of their authorized representative(s) by January 24, 2020; (Rule 13.D.1)

2. Each presidential candidate (including uncommitted status) shall use their best efforts to ensure that their respective delegation within the state delegation achieves the affirmative action, outreach and inclusion goals established by this Plan and is equally divided between men and women. (Rule 6.I)

Section III
Selection of Delegates and Alternates

A. District-Level Delegates and Alternates

1. Alaska is allocated 9 district-level delegates to the National Convention. (Rule 8.C, Call I.B, I.I, & Appendix B) Alaska will allocate our 2 Alternate delegates to the National Convention at the At-Large level.

2. State House District-level delegates and alternates shall be elected by the state convention in a tier process.

   a. Tier 1: State House District Caucuses, April 18, 2020. A District Caucus will be held in each of Alaska’s 40 State House Districts. The purposes of the House District Caucus are (1) to elect delegates and alternates representing the House District at the State Convention. Entire body elects delegates to the state convention. The order of business will be: 1) Party verification/registration; 2) Welcome from Party Official; 3) Election of House District Officers; 4) Election of delegates to the state convention; 5) Other House District business; 6) Adjourn
b. Tier 2: The Alaska Democratic Party State Convention will be held May 15-16, 2020 in Fairbanks. The convention will select delegates and alternates to the national convention. If a delegate to the state convention is not able to attend, the alternate with the highest votes moves into the delegate slot, being mindful of gender balance and other goals for inclusion. State House District-level delegates will be selected by a caucus of state convention delegates who sign statements of support for the same presidential candidate. Other business will include adoption of party platform, party plan or organization, resolutions and state party officer elections.

3. Apportionment of District-Level Delegates and Alternates

a. The number of men and the number of women in the state’s total number of district-level delegates and alternates will not vary by more than one. To ensure the district-level delegates are equally divided between men and women (determined by gender self-identification) delegate positions within each district will be designated by presidential preference beginning with the highest vote-getting presidential preference. This assignment of delegate positions will continue with the next highest vote-getting preferences in descending order, with positions assigned to either male and female alternating by gender as mathematically practicable, until the gender of each position has been assigned. In the case of non-binary gender delegates, they shall not be counted in either the male or female category. (Rule 6.C., Rule 6.C.1 & Reg. 4.10)

b. The district-level delegates are apportioned to the state’s single Congressional district as indicated in the following table:

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*(Assuming no gender non-binary delegates are elected.)*

c. The number of delegates to be seated at the state convention shall be determined on the basis of one delegate for each two hundred fifty (250) votes, or fraction thereof, cast for the Democratic nominee for state-wide office receiving the most votes statewide in the previous general election, provided the State Central Committee has not changed the divisor. Apportionment is computed and assigned on the basis of State House of Representatives Districts and the delegates must reside within the State House Election District upon which the apportionment is based. Incumbent
Democratic State House Members and State Senators are automatically added to their district’s delegate allocation to serve as delegates to the State Convention; however, they are not eligible to vote on national convention delegates (Alaska Democratic Party Plan, Article VI, Section 14, Rule 8.B)

4. District-Level Delegate and Alternate Filing Requirements

a. A district-level delegate and alternate to the State Convention may run for election only within the State House District in which they are registered to vote. (Article IV, Section 22, ADP Party Plan of Organization, Rule 13.H)

b. Individuals who were elected as a delegate or alternate to the State Convention from their House District can qualify as a candidate for district-level delegate or alternate to the 2020 Democratic National Convention by filing a statement of candidacy designating their singular presidential (or uncommitted) preference and a signed pledge of support for the presidential candidate (including uncommitted status) with the Alaska Democratic Party, 2602 Fairbanks Street, Anchorage, AK 99503, by 5:00PM on April 30, 2020. A delegate or alternate candidate may modify their singular presidential preference by submitting an updated pledge of support no later than the filing deadline. Delegate candidate filing forms may be downloaded from the state party website, akdems.org, beginning April 1, 2020. (Rule 13.B, Rule 15.F & Reg. 4.23)

c. All candidates considered for district-level alternate positions must meet the same requirements as candidates for district-level delegate positions; candidates who were not chosen at the delegate level may be considered at the alternate level. (Rule 13.C)

5. Presidential Candidate Right of Review for District-Level Delegates and Alternates

a. The State Democratic Chair shall convey to the presidential candidate, or that candidate’s authorized representative(s), not later than 5 p.m. on May 4, 2020, a list of all persons who have filed for delegate or alternate pledged to that presidential candidate. (Rule 13.D & Rule 13.F)

b. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate’s authorized representative(s), must then file with the State Democratic Chair by 5 p.m. on May 6, a list of all such candidates they have approved, provided that approval be given to at least three (3) separate individuals for each position for delegate and three (3) separate individuals for each alternate position to be selected. (Rule 13.E.1, Reg. 4.24 & Reg. 4.25)

c. Failure to respond will be deemed approval of all delegate and alternate candidates submitted to the presidential candidate unless the presidential
candidate, or the authorized representative(s), signifies otherwise in writing to the State Democratic Chair not later than 5 p.m. on May 6, 2020.

d. National convention delegate and alternate candidates removed from the list of bona fide supporters by a presidential candidate, or that candidate’s authorized representative(s), may not be elected as a delegate or alternate at that level pledged to that presidential candidate. *(Rule 13.E & Reg. 4.24)*

e. The State Democratic Chair shall certify in writing to the Co-Chairs of the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee whether each presidential candidate has used their best efforts to ensure that their respective district-level delegate candidates and district-level alternate candidates meet the affirmative action and outreach and inclusion considerations and goals detailed in the Affirmative Action section of this Plan within three (3) business days of returning the list of approved district-level delegate candidates and district-level alternate candidates as indicated in Section III.A.5.b of this Plan. *(Rule 6.I & Reg.4.10.C)*

6. Fair Reflection of Presidential Preference


   The Alaska presidential primary election is a “binding” primary. Accordingly, delegate and alternate positions shall be allocated so as to fairly reflect the expressed presidential (or uncommitted) preference of the primary voters in the state’s congressional district. The National Convention delegates and alternates selected at the Congressional district level shall be allocated in proportion to the percentage of the primary vote won in that district by each preference, except that preferences falling below a 15% threshold shall not be awarded any delegates or alternates.

   b. Within a Congressional district, if no presidential preference reaches a 15% threshold, the threshold shall be half the percentage of the vote received in that district by the front-runner. *(Rule 14.F)*

   c. District-level delegates and alternates to the national convention will be selected by a caucus of persons who sign statements of support for the same presidential candidate. The caucus of persons who sign statements of support for the same presidential candidate will be held at the State Convention on May 16, 2020 (Rule 13.G)
7. Equal Division of District-Level Delegates and Alternates

   a. To ensure the district-level delegates are equally divided between men and women (determined by gender self-identification) delegate positions within each district will be designated by presidential preference beginning with the highest vote-getting presidential preference. This assignment of delegate positions, will continue with the next highest vote-getting preferences in descending order, with positions assigned to either male and female alternating by gender as mathematically practicable, until the gender of each position has been assigned. In the case of non-binary gender delegates, they shall not be counted in either the male or female category. (Rule 6.C., Rule 6.C.1 & Reg. 4.10)

   b. District level delegate positions shall be pre-designated so that the gender of the first position to be filled by the winning presidential candidate is pre-determined. Once the allocation of district delegates among presidential preference(s) has been calculated, the remaining delegate positions can be assigned to the presidential preference(s), in order of vote won, alternating by gender.

8. The State Democratic Chair shall certify in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee (DNC) the election of the state’s district-level delegates and alternates to the Democratic National Convention within 10 days after their election. (Rule 8.C & Call IV.A)

B. Automatic Delegates

1. Automatic Party Leaders and Elected Officials

   a. The following categories (if applicable) shall constitute the Automatic Party Leaders and Elected Official delegate positions:

      (1) Members of the Democratic National Committee who legally reside in the state; (Rule 9.A.1, Call I.F, Call I.J, & Reg. 4.15)

   b. An Automatic delegate may run and be elected as a Pledged delegate. If an Automatic delegate is elected and certified as a Pledged delegate, that individual shall not serve as an Automatic delegate at the 2020 National Convention. (Call I.J)

   c. The certification process for the Automatic Party Leader and Elected Official delegates is as follows:
(1) Not later than March 6, 2020, the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee shall officially confirm to the State Democratic Chair the names of the Automatic delegates who legally reside in Alaska. *(Rule 9.A)*

(2) Official confirmation by the Secretary shall constitute verification of the Automatic delegates from the categories indicated above. *(Call IV.B.1)*

(3) The State Democratic Chair shall certify in writing to the Secretary of the DNC the presidential preference of state’s Automatic delegates 10 days after the completion of the State’s Delegate Selection Process. *(Call IV.C)*

2. For purposes of achieving equal division between delegate men and delegate women within the state’s entire convention delegation (determined by gender self-identification), the entire delegation includes all pledged and Automatic delegates, including those who identify as male or female. *(Rule 6.C and Reg. 4.9)*

C. Pledged Party Leader and Elected Official (PLEO) Delegates

1. Alaska is allotted 2 pledged Party Leader and Elected Official (PLEO) delegates. *(Call I.D, Call I.E & Appendix B)*

2. Pledged PLEO Delegate Filing Requirements
   
a. Individuals shall be eligible for the pledged Party Leader and Elected Official delegate positions according to the following priority: big city mayors and state-wide elected officials (to be given equal consideration); state legislative leaders, state legislators, and other state, county and local elected officials and party leaders. Automatic delegates who choose to run for PLEO delegate will be given equal consideration with big city mayors and state-wide elected officials. *(Rule 10.A.1 & Reg. 4.16)*

   b. Individuals who were elected as a delegate or alternate to the State Convention from their House District can qualify as a candidate for a position as a pledged PLEO delegate by filing a statement of candidacy designating their singular presidential (or uncommitted) preference and a signed pledge of support for the presidential candidate (including uncommitted status) with the Alaska Democratic Party, 2602 Fairbanks Street, Anchorage, AK by 5:00PM on May 12, 2020, or with the State Chair immediately after the election of district-level delegates on May 16. Any candidate may modify their singular presidential preference by submitting an updated pledge of support to the State Chair no later than the filing deadline. Delegate Candidate filing forms will be available on the state party website, akdems.org, beginning April 1, 2020. *(Rule 10.A.3, Rule 15.G, Reg.4.18 & Reg. 4.17)*

3. Presidential Candidate Right of Review
a. The State Democratic Chair shall convey to the presidential candidate, or that candidate’s authorized representative(s), not later than 15 minutes after the election of district-level delegates on May 16 a list of all persons who have filed for a party and elected official delegate pledged to that presidential candidate. (Rule 10.A.3 & Rule 13.D)

b. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate’s authorized representative(s), must file with the State Democratic Chair, within 15 minutes after receiving the list, a list of all such candidates they have approved, as long as approval is given to at least two (2) names for every position to which the presidential candidate is entitled. (Rule 13.E.2 & Reg. 4.25)

c. Failure to respond will be deemed approval of all delegate candidates submitted to the presidential candidate unless the presidential candidate or the authorized representative(s) signifies otherwise in writing to the State Democratic Chair not later than 15 minutes after the election of district-level delegates on May 16, 2020. (Rule 13.D)

d. The State Democratic Chair shall certify in writing to the Co-Chairs of the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee whether each presidential candidate has used their best efforts to ensure that their respective pledged PLEO delegate candidates meet the affirmative action and outreach and inclusion considerations and goals detailed in the Affirmative Action section of this Plan within three (3) business days of returning the list of approved pledged PLEO candidates as indicated in Section III.C.3.b of this Plan. (Rule 6.I & Reg. 4.10.C)

4. Selection of Pledged Party Leader and Elected Official Delegates


b. Selection of the pledged PLEO delegates will occur at the State Convention in Fairbanks on May 16 after the election of district-level delegates and prior to the selection of at-large delegates and alternates (Rule 10.A)

c. These delegates will be selected by the state convention by majority vote alternating by gender (Rule 10.B)

5. The State Democratic Chair shall certify in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee the election of the state’s pledged Party Leader and Elected Official delegates to the Democratic National Convention within 10 days after their election. (Call IV.A & Reg. 5.4.A)
D. At-Large Delegates and Alternates

1. The state of Alaska is allotted 4 at-large delegates and 2 at-large alternates. *(Rule 8.C, Call I.B, II, Appendix B & Reg. 4.34)*

2. At-Large Delegate and Alternate Filing Requirements

   a. Individuals who were elected as a delegate to the State Convention from their House District desiring to seek at-large delegate or alternate positions may file a statement of candidacy designating their singular presidential or uncommitted preference and a signed pledge of support for the presidential candidates (including uncommitted status) with the State Party immediately after the District-level and PLEO elections on May 16, 2020. A delegate or alternate candidate may modify their singular presidential preference by submitting an updated pledge of support no later than the filing deadline. *(Rule 13.A., Rule 13.B, Rule 15.G, Reg. 4.22, Reg. 4.23, & Reg. 4.31)*

   b. The statement of candidacy for at-large delegates and for at-large alternates will be the same. After the at-large delegates are elected by the State Convention, those persons not chosen will then be considered candidates for at-large alternate positions unless they specify otherwise when filing. *(Rule 19.A)*

3. Presidential Candidate Right of Review

   a. The State Democratic Chair shall convey to the presidential candidate, or that candidate’s authorized representative(s), not later than 15 minutes after the election of the PLEO delegates on May 16, 2020, a list of all persons who have filed for delegate or alternate pledged to that presidential candidate. *(Rule 13.D) (Reg. 4.24.D & Reg. 4.31.C)*

   b. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate’s authorized representative(s), must then file with the State Democratic Chair, by 15 minutes after receipt a list of all such candidates they have approved, provided that, at a minimum, **two (2) names** remain for every national convention delegate or alternate position to which the presidential candidate is entitled. *(Rule 13.D.4, Rule 13.E.2 & Reg. 4.25)*

   c. Failure to respond will be deemed approval of all delegate candidates submitted to the presidential candidate unless the presidential candidate or the authorized representative(s) signifies otherwise in writing to the State Democratic Chair not later than 15 minutes after receiving the list.

   d. The State Democratic Chair shall certify in writing to the Co-Chairs of the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee whether each presidential candidate has used
4. Fair Reflection of Presidential Preference
   a. At-large delegate and alternate positions shall be allocated among presidential preferences according to the party-run primary vote. (Rule 11.C)
   b. Preferences which have not attained a 15% threshold on a state-wide basis shall not be entitled to any at-large delegates. (Rule 14.E)
   c. If no presidential preference reaches a 15% threshold, the threshold shall be half the percentage of the statewide vote received by the front-runner. (Rule 14.F)
   d. If a presidential candidate otherwise entitled to an allocation is no longer a candidate at the time of selection of the at-large delegates, their allocation will be proportionally divided among the other preferences entitled to an allocation. (Rule 11.C)
   e. If a given presidential preference is entitled to one (1) or more delegate positions but would not otherwise be entitled to an alternate position, that preference shall be allotted one (1) at-large alternate position. (Rule 19.B, Call I.I & Reg. 4.33)

5. Selection of At-Large Delegates and Alternates
   a. The selection of the at-large delegates and alternates will occur on May 16, 2020 at the State Convention in Fairbanks, which is after all pledged Party Leader and Elected Official delegates have been selected. (Call III)
   b. Presidential candidates shall have 15 minutes to review the list of delegate and alternate candidates for each category pledged to that presidential candidate prior to each separate election. (Rule 8.E & Reg. 4.13)
   c. These delegates and alternates will be selected by the State Convention by a majority vote alternating by gender (Rule 11.B & Rule 11.B)
d. Priority of Consideration

(1) In the selection of the at-large delegation priority of consideration shall be given to African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and women, if such priority of consideration is needed to fulfill the affirmative action goals outlined in the state’s Delegate Selection Plan. *(Rule 6.A.3)*

(2) To continue the Democratic Party’s ongoing efforts to include groups historically under-represented in the Democratic Party’s affairs and to assist in the achievement of full participation by these groups, priority of consideration shall be given other groups by virtue of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, ethnic identify, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, economic status or disability. *(Rule 5.C, Rule 6.A.3, Rule 7 & Reg. 4.8)*

(3) The election of at-large delegates and alternates shall be used, if necessary, to achieve the equal division of positions between men and women as far as mathematically practicable, and may be used to achieve the representation goals established in the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program section of this Plan. *(Rule 6.A, Rule 6.C and Reg. 4.9)*

(4) Delegates and alternates are to be considered separate groups for this purpose. *(Rule 6.C.1, Rule 11.A, Reg. 4.9 & Reg. 4.20)*

6. The State Democratic Chair shall certify in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee the election of the state’s at-large delegates and alternates to the Democratic National Convention within 10 days after their election. *(Rule 8.C & Call IV.A)*

E. Replacement of Delegates and Alternates

1. A pledged delegate or alternate may be replaced according to the following guidelines:

   a. Permanent Replacement of a Delegate: *(Rule 19.D.3)*

(1) A permanent replacement occurs when a delegate resigns or dies prior to or during the national convention and the alternate replaces the delegate for the remainder of the National Convention.

(2) Any alternate permanently replacing a delegate shall be of the same presidential preference (including uncommitted status) and gender of the
delegate they replace, and to the extent possible shall be from the same political subdivision within the state as the delegate.

(a) In the case where the presidential candidate has only one (1) alternate, that alternate shall become the certified delegate.

(b) If a presidential candidate has only one (1) alternate, and that alternate permanently replaces a delegate of a different gender, thereby causing the delegation to no longer be equally divided, the delegation shall not be considered in violation of Rule 6.C. In such a case, notwithstanding Rule 19.D.2, the State Party Committee shall, at the time of a subsequent permanent replacement, replace a delegate with a person of a different gender, in order to return the delegation to equal division of men and women. *(Reg. 4.36)*

(3) If a delegate or alternate candidate who has been elected but not certified to the DNC Secretary resigns, dies, or is no longer eligible to serve, they shall be replaced, after consultation with the State Party, by the authorized representative of the presidential candidate to whom they are pledged. *(Rule 19.D.2)*


(1) A temporary replacement occurs when a delegate is to be absent for a limited period of time during the convention and an alternate temporarily acts in the delegate’s place.

(2) Any alternate who temporarily replaces a delegate must be of the same presidential preference (including uncommitted status) as the delegate they replace, and to the extent possible shall be of the same gender and from the same political subdivision within the state as the delegate.

b. The following system will be used to select permanent and temporary replacements of delegates: The alternate who receives the highest number of votes becomes the delegate.

c. Certification of Replacements

(1) Any alternate who permanently replaces a delegate shall be certified in writing to the Secretary of the DNC by the State Democratic Chair. *(Rule 19.D.3)*

(2) Permanent replacement of a delegate (as specified above) by an alternate and replacement of a vacant alternate position shall be certified in writing by the Alaska’s Democratic Chair to the Secretary of the
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Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after the replacement is selected. *(Call IV.D.1)*

(3) Certification of permanent replacements will be accepted by the Secretary up to 72 hours before the first official session of the Convention is scheduled to convene. *(Call IV.D.1 & Reg. 4.35)*

(4) In the case where a pledged delegate is permanently replaced after 72 hours before the time the first session is scheduled to convene or, in the case where a pledged delegate is not on the floor of the Convention Hall at the time a roll call vote is taken, an alternate may be designated (as specified above) to cast the delegate’s vote. In such case, the Delegation Chair shall indicate the name of the alternate casting the respective delegate’s vote on the delegation tally sheet. *(Call IX.F.3.e, Call IX.F.3.c & Reg. 5.6)*

d. A vacant alternate position shall be filled by the delegation. The replacement shall be of the same presidential preference (or uncommitted status), of the same gender and, to the extent possible, from the same political subdivision as the alternate being replaced. *(Rule 19.E)*

2. Automatic delegates shall not be entitled to a replacement, nor shall the state be entitled to a replacement, except under the following circumstances: *(Call IV.D.2 & Reg. 4.37)*

a. Members of Congress and the Democratic Governor shall not be entitled to name a replacement. In the event of changes or vacancies in the state’s Congressional Delegation, following the official confirmation and prior to the commencement of the National Convention, the DNC Secretary shall recognize only such changes as have been officially recognized by the Democratic Caucus of the U.S. House of Representatives or the Democratic Conference of the U.S. Senate. In the event of a change or vacancy in the state’s office of Governor, the DNC shall recognize only such changes as have been officially recognized by the Democratic Governors’ Association. *(Call IV.D.2.a)*

b. Members of the Democratic National Committee shall not be entitled to a replacement, nor shall the state be entitled to a replacement, except in the case of death of such delegates. In the case where the state’s DNC membership changes following the DNC Secretary’s official confirmation, but prior to the commencement of the 2020 Democratic National Convention, acknowledgment by the Secretary of the new DNC member certification shall constitute verification of the corresponding change of Automatic delegates. *(Call, IV.D.2.b)*
c. Automatic distinguished Party Leader delegates allocated to the state pursuant to Rule 9.A.(5), shall not be entitled to name a replacement, nor shall the state be entitled to name a replacement. *(Call IV.D.2.c)*

d. In no case may an alternate cast a vote for an Automatic delegate. *(Call IX.F.3.e)*

### Section IV

**Selection of Convention Standing Committee Members**

#### A. Introduction

1. Alaska has been allocated 1 member on each of the three (3) standing committees for the 2020 Democratic National Convention (Credentials, Platform and Rules), for a total of 3 members. *(Call VII.A & Appendix D)*

2. Members of the Convention Standing Committees need not be delegates or alternates to the 2020 Democratic National Convention. *(Call VII.A.3)*

3. These members will be selected in accordance with the procedures indicated below. *(Rule 1.G)*

#### B. Standing Committee Members

1. **Selection Meeting**
   
   a. The members of the standing committees shall be elected by a quorum of Alaska’s National Convention delegates, at a meeting to be held on May 16 immediately after the state convention adjourns. Persons desiring to seek a standing committee position may file a statement of candidacy designating their singular presidential preference or uncommitted and a signed pledge of support for the presidential candidates (including uncommitted status) with the State Party not later than immediately after the At-Large Delegates and Alternate elections on May 16, 2020. *(Call VII.B.1)*

   b. All members of the delegation shall receive adequate notice of the time, date and place of the meeting to select the standing committee members. *(Call VII.B.1)*

2. **Allocation of Members**

   a. The members of the standing committees allocated to Alaska shall proportionately represent the presidential preference of all candidates (including uncommitted status) receiving the threshold percentage used in the
state’s delegation to calculate the at-large apportionment pursuant to Rule 14.E. of the Delegate Selection Rules. *(Call VII.C.1 & Reg. 5.9)*

b. The presidential preference of each candidate receiving the applicable percentage or more within the delegation shall be multiplied by the total number of standing committee positions allocated to Alaska. If the result of such multiplication does not equal 0.455 or above, the presidential preference in question is not entitled to representation on the standing committee. If the result of such multiplication is 0.455 but less than 1.455, the presidential preference is entitled to one (1) position. Those preferences securing more than 1.455 but less than 2.455 are entitled to two (2) positions, etc. *(Call VII.C.2)*

c. Where the application of this formula results in the total allocation exceeding the total number of committee positions, the presidential candidate whose original figure of representation is farthest from its eventual rounded-off total shall be denied that one (1) additional position. Where the application of this formula results in the total allocation falling short of the total number of committee positions, the presidential candidate whose original figure of representation is closest to the next rounding level shall be allotted an additional committee position. *(Call VII.C.3)*

d. Standing committee positions allocated to a presidential candidate shall be proportionately allocated, to the extent practicable, to each of the three (3) standing committees. When such allocation results in an unequal distribution of standing committee positions by candidate preference, a drawing shall be conducted to distribute the additional positions. *(Call VII.C.4)*

3. Presidential Candidate Right of Review

a. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate’s authorized representative(s), shall be given adequate notice of the date, time and location of the meeting of the state’s delegation authorized to elect standing committee members. *(Call VII.D.1)*

b. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate’s authorized representative(s), must submit to the State Democratic Chair, by 15 minutes after receiving a list of those persons filed for a standing committee position on May 16, 2020, a minimum of (1) name for each slot awarded to that candidate for members of each committee. The delegation shall select the standing committee members from among names submitted by the presidential candidates (including uncommitted status). Presidential candidates shall not be required to submit the name of more than one (1) person for each slot awarded to such candidate for members of standing committees. *(Call VII.D.2)* The State Chair shall provide the presidential candidates the list of individuals who have filed for
Standing Committee member positions no later than 1 hour after the completion of At-Large Delegates and Alternate elections have been completed.

4. Selection Procedure to Achieve Equal Division

   a. Presidential candidates (including uncommitted status) shall use their best efforts to ensure that their respective delegation of standing committee members shall achieve Alaska’s affirmative action, outreach and inclusion goals and that their respective male and female members are equally divided between the men and women determined by gender self-identification. *(Rule 6.I & Reg. 4.10)*

   b. The first binary gender position on each standing committee shall be assigned by binary gender as self-identified. For example, the first binary position on the Credentials Committee of the presidential candidate with the most standing committee positions shall be designated for a Male, and the next binary position, if one occurs, will be designated for a Female and the remaining binary positions, to the extent they occur, shall be designated in like fashion, alternating between males and females, where applicable. For avoidance of doubt: there is no requirement that positions be assigned to gender non-binaries but the described alternation of binary genders may not be used to exclude a gender non-binary from consideration for a committee position. Positions for presidential candidates on each committee shall be ranked according to the total number of standing positions allocated to each such candidate. After positions on the Credentials Committee are designated by gender, the designation shall continue with the Platform Committee, then the Rules Committee.

(1) A separate election shall be conducted for membership on each standing committee.

(2) The male and female membership of the standing committees shall be as equally divided among the men and women as possible under the state allocation; the variance between men and women in any committee or among the three committees in aggregate shall not exceed one. *(Call VII.E.2)*

(3) Gender non-binary committee members shall not be counted as either a male or female, and the remainder of the delegation shall be equally divided between male gender (men) and female gender (women). *(Call VII.E.1)*
(4) The positions allocated to each presidential candidate on each committee shall be voted on separately, and the winners shall be the highest vote-getter(s) of the appropriate gender.

5. Certification and Substitution

   a. The State Democratic Chair shall certify the standing committee members in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after their selection. (*Call VII.B.3*)

   b. No substitutions will be permitted in the case of standing committee members, except in the case of resignation or death. Substitutions must be made in accordance with the rules and the election procedures specified in this section, and must be certified in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after the substitute member is selected but not later than 48 hours before the respective standing committee meets, except in the case of death. (*Call VII.B.4*)

Section V

Delegation Chair and Convention Pages

A. Introduction

Alaska will select one (1) person to serve as Delegation Chair and 2 to serve as Convention Pages. (*Call IV.E, Call IV.F.1 & Appendix C*)

B. Delegation Chair

1. Selection Meeting

   a. The Delegation Chair shall be selected by a quorum of the state’s National Convention Delegates, at a meeting to be held on May 16, 2020 following the State Convention. (*Call IV.E & Call VII.B.1*)

   b. All members of the delegation shall receive timely notice of the time, date and place of the meeting to select the Delegation Chair. (*Rule 3.C*)

2. The State Democratic Chair shall certify the Delegation Chair in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after their selection. (*Call IV.E*)

C. Convention Pages
1. Two (2) individuals will be selected to serve as Alaska’s Convention Pages by the State Democratic Chair in consultation with the members of the Democratic National Committee from the state. This selection will take place on May 16, 2020. \((Call \ IV.F.3, \ Appendix \ C \ & \ Reg. \ 5.7)\)

2. The Convention Pages shall be as evenly divided between men and women (determined by self-identification) as possible under the state allocation and shall reflect as much as possible, the Affirmative Action and Outreach and Inclusion guidelines in the state plan. In the case of gender non-binary pages, they shall not be counted as either a male or female, and the remainder of the pages shall be equally divided. \((Reg. \ 5.7.A)\)

3. The State Democratic Chair shall certify the individuals to serve as Alaska’s Convention Pages in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after the selection. \((Call \ IV.F.3 \ & \ Reg. \ 5.7.B)\)

Section VI
Presidential Electors

A. Introduction

Alaska will select 3 persons to serve as Presidential Electors for the 2020 Presidential election.

B. Selection of Presidential Electors

The Presidential Electors shall be selected by the state convention on May 16, 2020 in Fairbanks.

1. Individuals will be nominated from the Convention Floor and will be elected by majority vote by the delegates to the State Convention. \((\text{Alaska Democratic Party Plan of Organization and Alaska Statutes 15.30.020})\)

2. Electors will be submitted to the Director of the Alaska Division of Elections prior to September 1, 2020 \((\text{Alaska Statutes 15.30.020, Call VIII})\)

C. Affirmation

1. Each candidate for Presidential Elector shall certify in writing that they will vote for the election of the Democratic Presidential and Vice Presidential nominees. \((\text{Call VIII})\)

2. In the selection of the Presidential Electors, the State Party will take the following steps to ensure the persons selected are bona fide Democrats who are faithful to
the interests, welfare, and success of the Democratic Party of the United States, who subscribe to the substance, intent and principles of the Charter and the Bylaws of the Democratic Party of the United States: Electors must sign a pledge provided by the Alaska Democratic Party to vote for the candidates nominated by the Democratic Party. *(Call VIII)*

### Section VII

**General Provisions and Procedural Guarantees**

A. The Alaska Democratic Party reaffirms its commitment to an open party by incorporating the “six basic elements” as listed below. As our Party strives to progress in the fight against discrimination of all kinds, these six basic elements have evolved and grown along with the constant push for more inclusion and empowerment. These provisions demonstrate the intention of the Democratic Party to ensure a full opportunity for all minority group members to participate in the delegate selection process. *(Rule 4.A, Rule 4.B & Rule 4.C)*

1. All public meetings at all levels of the Democratic Party in Alaska should be open to all members of the Democratic Party regardless of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, ethnic identity, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, economic status or disability (hereinafter collectively referred to as “status”). *(Rule 4.B.1)*

2. No test for membership in, nor any oaths of loyalty to, the Democratic Party in Alaska should be required or used which has the effect of requiring prospective or current members of the Democratic Party to acquiesce in, condone or support discrimination based on “status.” *(Rule 4.B.2)*

3. The time and place for all public meetings of the Democratic Party in Alaska on all levels should be publicized fully and, in such manner, as to assure timely notice to all interested persons. Such meetings must be held in places accessible to all Party members and large enough to accommodate all interested persons. *(Rule 4.B.3)*

4. The Democratic Party in Alaska on all levels, should support the broadest possible registration without discrimination based on “status.” *(Rule 4.B.4)*

5. The Democratic Party in Alaska should publicize fully and in such a manner as to assure notice to all interested parties a full description of the legal and practical procedures for selection of Democratic Party officers and representatives on all levels. Publication of these procedures should be done in such fashion that all prospective and current members of the State Democratic Party will be fully and adequately informed of the pertinent procedures in time to participate in each selection procedure at all levels of the Democratic Party organization. As part of this, the Alaska Democratic Party should develop a strategy to provide education
programs directly to voters who continue to experience confusing timelines for registration, changing party affiliation deadlines, or lack of awareness of the process for running for delegate, to ensure all Democratic voters understand the rules and timelines and their impact on voter participation. *(Rule 4.B.5)*

6. The Democratic Party in Alaska should publicize fully and in such a manner as to assure notice to all interested parties, a complete description of the legal and practical qualifications of all positions as officers and representatives of the State Democratic Party. Such publication should be done in timely fashion so that all prospective candidates or applicants for any elected or appointed position within each State Democratic Party will have full and adequate opportunity to compete for office. *(Rule 4.B.6)*

B. Discrimination on the basis of “status” in the conduct of Democratic Party affairs is prohibited. *(Rule 5.B)*

C. Alaska’s delegation shall be equally divided between delegate men and delegate women, and alternate men and alternate women, i.e. the number of men and women shall not vary by more than one. Such goal applies to the entire delegation, which includes all pledged delegates and alternates and all automatic delegates. Delegates and alternates shall be considered separate groups for purposes of achieving equal division as determined by gender self-identification. In the case of gender non-binary delegates or alternates, they shall not be counted as either a male or female, and the remainder of the delegation shall be equally divided by gender. *(Rule 6.C)*

D. All delegate and alternate candidates must be identified as to presidential preference or uncommitted status at all levels which determine presidential preference. *(Rule 13.A)*

E. No delegate at any level of the delegate selection process shall be mandated by law or Party rules to vote contrary to that person’s presidential choice as expressed at the time the delegate is elected. *(Rule 13.I)*

F. Delegates elected to the national convention pledged to a presidential candidate shall in all good conscience reflect the sentiments of those who elected them. *(Rule 13.J)*

G. Each delegate, alternate and standing committee member must be a bona fide registered Democrat, who is faithful to the interests, welfare and success of the Democratic Party of the United States, who subscribes to the substance, intent and principles of the Charter and Bylaws of the Democratic Party of the United States, and who will participate in the Convention in good faith. *(Rule 13.H, Call VII.A.4 & Reg. 4.26)*

H. Forty percent (40%) of the members of any Party body above the first level of the delegate selection process shall constitute a quorum for any business pertaining to the selection of National Convention delegates, alternates, standing committee members, and other official Convention participants. *(Rule 16)*
I. Voting by proxy in the presidential delegate selection process is prohibited. Voting by proxy in other Democratic Party business is governed by the Alaska Democratic Party Plan of Organization, adopted May 2018. *(Rule 17 & Reg. 4.32)*

J. The unit rule, or any rule or practice whereby all members of a Party unit or delegation may be required to cast their votes in accordance with the will of a majority of the body, shall not be used at any stage of the delegate selection process. *(Rule 18.A)*

K. Any individual or group of Democrats may sponsor or endorse a slate of candidates for convention delegates. But no slate may, by virtue of such endorsement, receive a preferential place on a delegate selection ballot or be publicly identified on the ballot as the official Democratic Party organization slate, and all slates must meet identical qualifying requirements for appearing on a ballot at all levels of the delegate selection process. *(Rule 18.B)*

L. All steps in the delegate selection process, including the filing of presidential candidates, must take place within the calendar year of the Democratic National Convention, except with respect to the implementation of the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Programs. *(Rule 1.F & Rule 12.B)*

M. In electing and certifying delegates and alternates to the 2020 Democratic National Convention, the Alaska Democratic Party hereby undertakes to assure all Democratic voters in Alaska, a full, timely and equal opportunity to participate in the delegate selection process and in all Party affairs and to implement affirmative action and outreach and inclusion plans toward that end; that the delegates and alternates to the Convention shall be selected in accordance with the Delegate Selection Rules for the 2020 Democratic National Convention; and that the delegates certified will not publicly support or campaign for any candidate for President or Vice President other than the nominees of the Democratic National Convention. *(Call II.B)*

### Section VIII

#### Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program

A. **Statement of Purpose and Organization**

1. **Purpose and Objectives**
   
   a. To make sure that the Democratic Party at all levels be an open Party which includes rather than excludes people from participation, a program of effective affirmative action is hereby adopted by Alaska. *(Rule 5.A)*

   b. Discrimination on the basis of “status” in the conduct of Democratic Party affairs is prohibited. *(Rule 5.B)*
c. All public meetings at all levels of the Democratic Party in Alaska should be open to all members of the Democratic Party regardless of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, ethnic identity, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, economic status or disability (hereinafter collectively referred to as “status”). *(Rule 4.B.1)*

d. Consistent with the Democratic Party’s commitment to including groups historically under-represented in the Democratic Party’s affairs, by virtue of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, ethnic identity, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, or disability, Alaska has established goals for these groups. *(Rule 5.C & Reg. 4.8)*

e. To encourage full participation by all Democrats in the delegate selection process and in all Party affairs, the Alaska Democratic Party has adopted and will implement programs with specific goals and timetables for African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and women. To further encourage full participation in the process, the State Party has established goals and timetables for other underrepresented groups, including the LGBTQ+ community, people with disabilities, and youth. *(Rule 6.A & Rule 7)*

(1) The goal of the programs shall be to encourage participation in the delegate selection process and in Party organizations at all levels by the aforementioned groups as indicated by their presence in the Democratic electorate. *(Rule 6.A.1)*

(2) For the delegate selection process, “Youth” is defined as any participant younger than 36 years old at the time of election. *(Reg. 5.3.A)*

(3) For the delegate selection process, individuals identifying as Native Americans should provide their tribal affiliation and indicate if they are enrolled in a tribe. *(Reg. 5.3.B)*

(4) These goals shall not be accomplished either directly or indirectly by the Party’s imposition of mandatory quotas at any level of the delegate selection process or in any other Party affairs. *(Rule 6.A.2)*

2. Organizational Structure

   a. An Affirmative Action Committee shall be appointed by the State Democratic Chair no later than March 1, 2019. *(Rule 6.F)*

   b. The State Democratic Chair shall certify in writing to the Rules and Bylaws Committee of the Democratic National Committee the compliance of the
State’s Affirmative Action Committee with Rules 5.C, 6.A and 7, and submit the names, demographic data and contact information of the members no later than 15 days after their appointment. *(Reg. 2.2.J)*

c. The Committee shall consist of members who are regionally diverse and represent the Democratic constituency groups set forth in the Introduction to the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program.

d. The Affirmative Action Committee shall be responsible for:

1. Helping develop and design the proposed Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program and making recommendations to the State Democratic Chair. *(Rule 6.F)*

2. Directing the implementation of all requirements of the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program section of this Plan.

3. Implementing a specific outreach and financial assistance program for persons of low and moderate income to encourage their participation and representation in the national convention delegation. *(Rule 6.G)*

4. Ensuring, on behalf of the State Party Committee, that district lines used in the delegate selection process are not gerrymandered to discriminate against African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and women. *(Rule 6.E)*

e. Financial and staff support for the Affirmative Action Committee shall be provided by the State Party Committee to the greatest extent feasible, including, but not limited to, making available on a priority basis, the State Party staff and volunteers, and covering all reasonable costs incurred in carrying out this Plan.

3. Implementation of the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program shall begin on *September 13, 2019*, with the distribution of the press kits, and will continue through the end of the delegate selection process. *(Rule 1.F)*

B. Representation Goals

1. In cooperation with the National Committee, the Alaska Democratic Party has determined the demographic composition of African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, and Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in the state’s Democratic electorate. These constituency percentages shall be established as goals for representation in the state’s convention delegation. *(Rule 6.A)*
2. In cooperation with the National Committee, the Alaska Democratic Party has determined the demographic composition of members of the LGBTQ+ community, people with disabilities, and youth in the state’s Democratic electorate. The State Party has chosen to establish these percentages as goals for representation in the state’s convention delegation. (Rule 7 & Reg. 4.8.C.iii)

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3. When selecting the at-large portion of the delegation, the demographic composition of the other delegates (district-level, pledged PLEO, and Automatic) shall be compared with the State Party’s representation goals to achieve an at-large selection process that helps to bring about a representative balance. (Rule 11.A)

4. Although the selection of the at-large delegation may be used to fulfill the affirmative action goals established by this Plan, the State Party will conduct outreach and inclusion activities such as recruitment, education and training at all levels of the delegate selection process. (Rule 6.A.3)

C. Efforts to Educate on the Delegate Selection Process

1. Well-publicized educational workshops will be conducted in each of the delegate districts beginning in September 2019. These workshops will be designed to encourage participation in the delegate selection process, including apprising potential delegate and alternate candidates of the availability of financial assistance. These workshops will be held in places that are easily accessible to persons with disabilities. The times, dates, places and rules for the conduct of all education workshops, meetings and other events involved in the delegate selection process shall be effectively publicized by the party organization and include mailings to various organizations representative of the Democratic voting electorate. (Rule 3.A, Rule 3.C & Rule 3.D)

2. A speakers bureau of volunteers from the State Party, including the Affirmative Action Committee, shall be comprised of individuals who are fully familiar with the process, will be organized to appear before groups, as needed, to provide information concerning the process.
3. The State Party’s education efforts will include outreach to community leaders within the Democratic Party’s constituencies and making sure that information about the delegate selection process is available to Democratic clubs and Party caucuses representing specific constituencies.

4. The State Party will publish and make available at no cost: a clear and concise explanation of how Democratic voters can participate in the delegate selection process. As well, the State Party shall also make available copies of the State Party Rules, the Delegate Selection Plan (and its attachments), the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program, and relevant state statutes at no cost. Copies of documents related to the state’s delegate selection process will be prepared and the State Party and Affirmative Action Committee will distribute them in the various delegate districts not later than September 19, 2019. (Rule 1.H)

5. Participation in the delegate selection process shall be open to all voters who wish to participate as Democrats. Democratic voters shall be those persons who publicly declare their Party preference and have that preference publicly recorded. (Rule 2.A)

6. The State Party shall take all feasible steps to encourage non-affiliated voters and new voters to register or enroll, to provide simple procedures through which they may do so and to eliminate excessively long waiting periods for voters who wish to register or to change their party enrollment status. (Rule 2.C)

7. The Affirmative Action Committee will develop a State Party strategy to be implemented beginning September 13, 2019, that will provide education programs directly to voters who continue to experience confusing timelines for registration, changing party affiliation deadlines, or lack of awareness of the process for running for delegate, to ensure all Democratic voters understand the rules and timelines and their impact on voter participation. (Rule 4.B.5)

D. Efforts to Publicize the Delegate Selection Process

1. The State Party shall direct special attention to publicizing the delegate selection process in the state. Such publicity shall include information on eligibility to vote and how to become a candidate for delegate, the time and location of each stage of the delegate selection process, and where to get additional information. The foregoing information will also be published in the State Party communications and on the State Party’s website. The Party organization, official, candidate, or member calling a meeting or scheduling an event, shall effectively publicize the role that such meeting or event plays in the selection of delegates and alternates to the Democratic National Convention. (Rule 3.C & Rule 3.D)

2. The State Party shall have a Delegate Selection Media Plan for using all available and appropriate resources, such as social media, websites, newspapers, radio and television, to inform the general public how, when and where to participate in the
delegate selection process. Specifically, the Delegate Selection Media Plan will provide details as to how to qualify to run as a delegate candidate. Regular updates should be posted/released throughout the state’s delegate selection process to ensure broad and timely coverage and awareness about the process to all interested persons. *(Rule 4.B.3 & Rule 6.D)*

3. A priority effort, as described in the Delegate Selection Media Plan, shall be directed at publicity among the Democratic Party’s constituencies.

   a. Information about the delegate selection process will be posted on and made available through social and specialty media directed toward the Democratic constituency groups set forth in the introduction of this Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program.

   b. The State Party shall be responsible for the implementation of this publicity effort. For purposes of providing adequate notice of the delegate selection process, the times, dates, places and rules for the conduct of *the party run primary, district caucuses and the state convention* shall be effectively publicized, multilingually where necessary, to encourage the participation of minority groups. *(Rule 6.D)*

4. Not later than *September 13, 2019*, the State Party will make information about the delegate selection process available on its website and publicize the resource through press releases and communications to Party leaders, activists and targeted constituencies. Information to be posted on the website will include:

   a. materials designed to encourage participation and inform prospective delegate candidates;

   b. a summary explaining the role of the 2020 Convention in nominating the Party’s Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates and adopting the National Platform;

   c. a summary of the State Party’s delegate selection process including all pertinent rules, dates, and filing requirements related to the process;

   d. a map of delegate districts and how many delegates will be elected within each district, along with filing forms or information on how to obtain the filing forms.

E. **Obligations of Presidential Candidates to Maximize Participation**

   1. Presidential candidates shall assist the Alaska Democratic Party in meeting the demographic representation goals reflected in the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program. *Alaska may impose reasonable specific affirmative*
action obligations on presidential candidates consistent with the delegate selection system employed by Alaska. (Rule 6.H)

2. Each presidential candidate must submit a written statement to the State Democratic Chair by January 24, 2020, which indicates the specific steps they will take to encourage full participation by their supporters in Alaska’s delegate selection process, including, but not limited to, procedures by which persons may file as candidates for delegate or alternate pledged to the presidential candidate. (Rule 6.H.1)

3. Each presidential candidate must submit demographic information with respect to all candidates for delegate and alternate pledged to them. Such information shall be submitted in conjunction with the list of names approved for consideration as delegate and alternate candidates pledged to the presidential candidate. (Rule 6.H.2)

4. Presidential candidates shall use their best effort to ensure that their respective delegates, alternates and standing committee members shall achieve the affirmative action goals reflected in the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program and that the number of men and the number of women in their respective delegations shall not differ by more than one (as determined by gender self-identification). Furthermore, presidential candidates shall use their best efforts at the district level to approve delegate, alternate, and standing committee candidates who meet applicable equal division and affirmative action considerations to promote and achieve the state’s affirmative action, outreach and inclusion goals and equal division for their respective delegations. (Rule 6.C., Rule 6.I & Reg. 4.10)

F. Outreach and Inclusion Program

1. The State Democratic Party is committed to help achieve full participation of those groups of Americans who have historically been explicitly denied the right to vote or who have been subjected to discriminatory and exclusionary practices that have denied them voting rights and full participation in the delegate selection process and other Party meetings, events and elections, along with other groups of Americans who are also underrepresented in Party affairs.

2. As such, the Alaska Democratic Party has developed outreach and inclusion programs and is committed to fully implementing the programs so that all persons who wish to participate as Democrats understand they are welcome and encouraged to be a part of the delegate selection process and in the Party at the local, state and national levels.

3. The State Party will make accommodations to facilitate greater participation by people with disabilities.
a. The Alaska Democratic Party will make available absentee balloting which will allow greater participation by persons with disabilities.

b. All House District Caucuses and the State Convention will be held in places accessible to all Party members and large enough to accommodate interested parties.

Section IX
Challenges

A. Jurisdiction & Standing

1. Challenges related to the delegate selection process are governed by the Regulations of the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee for the 2020 Democratic National Convention (Reg. Sec. 3), and the “Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee of the 2020 Democratic National Convention.” (Call Appendix A)

2. Under Rule 21.B. of the 2020 Delegate Selection Rules, the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee has jurisdiction over challenges pertaining to the submission, non-implementation and violation of state Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program. (Rule 21.B & Call Appendix A)

3. The Rules and Bylaws Committee has jurisdiction to hear and decide any challenge provided it is initiated before the 56th day preceding the date of the commencement of the 2020 Democratic National Convention. (Call Appendix A & Reg. 3.1)

4. Challenges to the credentials of delegates and alternates to the 2020 Democratic National Convention initiated on or after the 56th day preceding the date of commencement of the Democratic National Convention shall be processed in accordance with the “Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee of the 2020 Democratic National Convention.” (Call Appendix A)

5. Any challenge to the credentials of a standing committee member shall be considered and resolved by the affected standing committee in accordance with Appendix A of the Call for the 2020 Democratic National Convention. The Rules and Bylaws Committee shall have jurisdiction over challenges brought before the 56th day preceding the date of the commencement of the Democratic National Convention. (Call VII.B.5)

6. Copies of the Regulations of the Rules and Bylaws Committee and/or the Call for the 2020 Democratic National Convention, including the Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee (Appendix A), shall be made available by the State Party upon reasonable request.
7. Any group of 15 Democrats with standing to challenge as defined in Reg. 3.2 or the Call (Appendix A, Sec. 2.A), may bring a challenge to this Plan or to the implementation of this Plan, including its Affirmative Action provisions.

B. Challenges to the Status of the State Party and Challenges to the Plan

1. A challenge to the status of the State Party Committee as the body entitled to sponsor a delegation from that state shall be filed with the Rules and Bylaws Committee not later than 30 calendar days prior to the initiation of the state’s delegate selection process. (Rule 21.A & Reg. 3.4.A)

2. A challenge to the state’s Delegate Selection Plan shall be filed with the Chair of the Alaska Democratic Party and the Co-Chairs of the Rules and Bylaws Committee within 15 calendar days after the adoption of the Plan by the State Party. (Reg. 3.4.B)

3. A challenge to a Plan must be brought in conformity with the Rules and the RBC Regulations, which should be consulted for a detailed explanation of challenge procedures.

C. Challenges to Implementation

1. A challenge may be brought alleging that a specific requirement of an approved Plan has not been properly implemented. Jurisdiction over all challenges initiated in a timely fashion shall reside with either the Rules and Bylaws Committee or the Credentials Committee of the National Convention (See Section VII.A. above). However, the Rules and Bylaws Committee may provide advice, assistance or interpretations of the Delegate Selection Rules at any stage of the delegate selection process. (Reg. 3.1.C)

2. An implementation challenge brought before the Rules and Bylaws Committee is initiated by filing a written challenge with the State Party Committee and with the Rules and Bylaws Committee not later than 15 days after the alleged violation occurred. The State Party has 21 days to render a decision. Within 10 days of the decision, any party to the challenge may appeal it to the Rules and Bylaws Committee. If in fact, the State Party renders no decision, any party to the challenge may request the Rules and Bylaws Committee to process it. The request must be made within 10 days after expiration of the above 21-day period. (Reg. 3.4.C, Reg. 3.4.E & Reg. 3.4.H)

3. Performance under an approved Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program and composition of the convention delegation shall be considered relevant evidence in the challenge to any state delegation. If a State Party has adopted and implemented an approved affirmative action program, the State Party shall not be subject to challenge based solely on delegation composition or primary results. (Rule
6.B) The procedures are the same for challenges alleging failure to properly implement the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Programs of a Plan, except that such challenges must be filed not later than 30 days prior to the initiation of the state’s delegate selection process. *(Reg. 3.4.C)*

4. Depending on the appropriate jurisdiction (see Section VIII.A. above), implementation challenges must be brought in conformity with the Regulations of the Rules and Bylaws Committee or the Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee, which should be consulted for a detailed explanation of challenge procedures.
Section X
Summary of Plan

A. Selection of Delegates and Alternates

Alaska will use a proportional representation system based on the results of the Party-Run Primary apportioning its delegates to the 2020 Democratic National Convention.

The “first determining step” of Alaska’s delegate selection process will occur on April 4, 2020, with a Party-Run Primary.

Delegates and alternates will be selected as summarized on the following chart:

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<th>Alternates</th>
<th>Date of Selection</th>
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<td>District-Level Delegates</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>5/16/2020</td>
<td>Selecting Body: State Convention Caucus of persons supporting the same presidential candidate. Win election on April 18 at the House District Caucus as a delegate to the state convention. File statement of candidacy and pledge of support with the state party by 4/30/2020. Filing forms will be available on April 1, 2020.</td>
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<td>Automatic Party Leader and Elected Official Delegates*</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>n/a</td>
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<td>Automatic by virtue of respective public or Party office as provided in Rule 9.A. of the 2020 Delegate Selection Rules. Filing forms will be available on April 1, 2020.</td>
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<td>Pledged Party Leaders and Elected Officials (PLEOs)</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>**</td>
<td>5/16/2020</td>
<td>Selecting Body: State Convention. Win election on April 18 at the House District Caucus as a delegate to the state convention. File statement of candidacy and pledge of support with the state party 15 minutes after selection of district-level delegates on 5/16/2020. Filing forms will be available on April 1.</td>
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<tr>
<td>At-Large Delegates At-Large Alternates</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>5/16/2020</td>
<td>Selecting Body: State Convention. Win election on April 18 at the House District Caucus as a delegate to the state convention. File statement of candidacy and pledge of support with the state party 15 minutes after selection of PLEOs on 5/16/2020. Filing forms will be available on April 1, 2020.</td>
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TOTAL Delegates and Alternates 19 2

* Automatic Party Leader and Elected Official (PLEO) delegates includes the following categories, if applicable, who legally reside in the state: the Democratic National Committee Members, the Democratic President, the Democratic Vice President, all Democratic members of the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate, the Democratic Governor, and any other Distinguished Party Leader as specified in Rule 9.A.
of the 2020 Delegate Selection Rules. The exact number of Automatic PLEO Delegates is subject to change due to possible deaths, resignations, elections or special elections.

B. Selection of Standing Committee Members (For the Credentials, Platform and Rules Committees)

Standing committee members will be selected by the state’s National Convention delegates as summarized below:

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<th>Members Per Committee</th>
<th>Total Members</th>
<th>Selection Date</th>
<th>Filing Requirements and Deadlines</th>
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<td>1</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>May 16, 2020</td>
<td>May 16, 2016, Presidential candidates submit names of candidates for standing committee members based off a list of those persons that filed for such positions in accordance with Section IV, B1a... A quorum of the National Convention Delegates elect members from the Presidential List. Filing Form will be available on April 1, 2020.</td>
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C. Selection of Delegation Chair and Convention Pages

The Delegation Chair will be selected by the National Convention Delegates on May 16, 2020.

Two Convention Pages will be selected by the State Democratic Chair on May 16, 2020.

D. Selection of Presidential Electors

3 Presidential Electors will be selected by the State Convention in Fairbanks on May 16, 2020.

E. Presidential Candidate Filing Deadline

The deadline to file the Presidential Statement of Candidacy Form and pay the $2,500 filing fee is 1/24/2020. Submit to Alaska Democratic Party, 2602 Fairbanks Street, Anchorage, AK 99503.

Presidential candidates must certify the name of their authorized representative(s) to the State Democratic Chair by 1/24/2020.

F. Timetable

(Reg. 2.2.B)

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## Alaska 2020 Delegate Selection Plan

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<td>March 1</td>
<td>Delegate Selection Affirmative Action Committee members are appointed by the State Chair.</td>
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<td>March 1</td>
<td>List of Affirmative Action Committee members submitted to DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee.</td>
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<td>ongoing</td>
<td>Affirmative Action Committee meets to draft proposed Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plans.</td>
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<td>March 30</td>
<td>Proposed Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program is tentatively approved for public comment by State Party Committee.</td>
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<td>March 30</td>
<td>Public comments are solicited on the proposed Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program. Press releases are mailed announcing the public comment period.</td>
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<td>April 29</td>
<td>Period for public comment on State Plan is concluded. Responses are compiled for review by the State Party Committee.</td>
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<td>May 2</td>
<td>State Party Committee reviews public comments and adopts revised Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program for submission to DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee. Press releases are mailed announcing the approval of the Plan.</td>
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<td>May 3</td>
<td>Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program is forwarded to the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee.</td>
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<td>September 13</td>
<td>State Party begins implementation of the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program. Press kits, as described in the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program, are sent to all state media.</td>
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### 2020

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<td>January 6</td>
<td>Presidential candidate filing forms are available from the State Party Headquarters.</td>
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<td>January 24</td>
<td>Deadline for each announced presidential candidate to submit a statement specifying steps the candidate will take to encourage full participation in the delegate selection process. (Individuals who announce their candidacy after this date must provide this full participation statement to the State Party not later than 30 days after their announcement.)</td>
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<td>January 24</td>
<td>Presidential candidate deadline for certifying the name(s) of their authorized representative(s) to the State Party.</td>
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<td>January 24</td>
<td>Presidential candidate deadline for filing statement of candidacy with the State Party.</td>
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<td>February 19</td>
<td>Mailing sent to every registered Democrat explaining methods in which to cast a vote in the party run presidential primary.</td>
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<td>February 24</td>
<td>Requests for absentee ballots must be received via the form available on the Alaska Democratic Party website.</td>
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<td>March 7</td>
<td>Every registered Democrat with the Alaska Division of Elections as of February 18, 2020 will be mailed a ballot with a postmarked return envelope.</td>
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<td>March 21-April 10</td>
<td>Voter registration forms and ballots will be made available on the Alaska Democratic Party website for new voters, voters wishing to change their party affiliation to participate in the Party-run Primary, and for those Democrats that did not receive a ballot proactively. Ballots and registration forms must be mailed to Alaska Democratic Party.</td>
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<td>April 1</td>
<td>Delegate and alternate candidates may obtain the statement of candidacy and pledge of support forms and filing instructions from State Party Committee Headquarters, in person, by mail, or from State Party’s web site at <a href="http://alaskademocrats.org">alaskademocrats.org</a>.</td>
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<td>April 10</td>
<td>All ballots must be received by the Alaska Democratic Party via mail.</td>
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<td>April 10-11</td>
<td>Results from the Party-run Primary vote by mail program will be available as soon as possible, but not later than 11:59PM.</td>
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<td>April 18</td>
<td>House District Caucuses in Alaska’s 40 House Districts to select delegates to the State Convention.</td>
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<td>April 30</td>
<td>District-level delegate and alternate deadline for filing the statement of candidacy and pledge of support forms with State Party.</td>
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<td>May 4</td>
<td>State Party provides list of district-level delegate and alternate candidates to the respective Presidential candidates.</td>
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<td>May 6</td>
<td>Presidential candidates provide list of approved district-level delegate and alternate candidates to State Party.</td>
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<td>May 16</td>
<td>State Convention convenes. District-level delegates elected. Then, Pledged PLEO delegates elected. Following selection of PLEO delegates, presidential candidates provide approved list of at-large delegate and alternate candidates to State Party. State Convention selects at-large delegates and alternates.</td>
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<td>May 16</td>
<td>Presidential candidates submit lists of candidates for standing committee members to State Party. Electors elected.</td>
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<td>Pledged PLEO and at-large delegate or alternate candidate deadline for filing the statement of candidacy and pledge of support forms with State Party.</td>
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<td>Presidential candidates provide approved list of pledged PLEO delegate and At Large Delegate and Alternate candidates to State Party.</td>
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<td>May 16</td>
<td>National Convention delegation meeting. Delegates select National Convention Standing Committee Members and Delegation Chair. State Chair names convention pages.</td>
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<td>May 25</td>
<td>State Party certifies elected delegates and alternates (District –Level, PLEOs and at-large), along with standing committee members, delegation chair, and convention pages.</td>
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<td>State Chair certifies in writing to the Secretary of the DNC the State’s Delegation Chair, Convention Pages and Standing Committee Members.</td>
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<td>State Party certifies in writing to the Secretary of the DNC the presidential preference of Pledged PLEOs and At-Large Delegates and Alternates.</td>
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<td>State Party certifies in writing to the Secretary of the DNC the presidential preference (including uncommitted) of the state’s Automatic Delegates.</td>
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ATTACHMENTS

1. Affirmative Action Committee [to be submitted to RBC within 15 days after their appointment]
   a. List of Affirmative Action Committee Members
      [List the members of the Affirmative Action Committee and indicate relevant demographic data about each member (i.e. African American, Hispanic, Native American, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders, gender, LGBTQ+, youth, people with disabilities, seniors, ethnics, labor, and any other applicable Democratic constituency group as set forth in the Introduction to the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program).]
   b. Statement from the State Chair confirming that the composition of the State Affirmative Action Committee complies with Rules 5.C, 6.A., and 7 and that the names, demographic data and contact information of members was submitted to the RBC 15 days after their appointment. (Reg. 2.2.K)

2. [As specified in Reg. 2.2, the following documentation must accompany the state’s Delegate Selection Plan at the time it is formally submitted to the Rules and Bylaws Committee.]
   a. A summary of the process for selecting delegates, alternates, standing committee members, the delegation chair and convention pages, and Presidential Electors, along with related deadlines. [It is recommended that this information be incorporated as part of the state’s Delegate Selection Plan - see Section X. of the Model Plan.] (Reg. 2.2.A)
   b. A timetable reflecting all significant dates in the state’s delegate selection process. [It is recommended that this information be incorporated as part of the state’s Delegate Selection Plan - see Section I. of the Model Plan.] (Reg. 2.2.B)
   c. A copy of the press release distributed by the State Party Committee announcing its adoption of the Plan and summarizing the major components of the Plan. (Reg. 2.2.D)
   d. A statement from the State Democratic Chair certifying the following:
      i. The Plan as submitted to the RBC was approved by the State Party Committee. (Reg. 2.2.C)
      ii. The proposed Plan, including all attachments and appendices, was placed on the State Party website during the 30-day public comment period. (Reg. 2.2.E)
iii. **Compliance with Rule 1.C** which requires a 30-day public comment period prior to the adoption of the Plan by the State Party Committee, provided that the State Party has published specific guidance for the submission of public comments. *(Reg. 2.2.F)*

e. A statement from the Chair of the Affirmative Action Committee certifying **compliance with Rule 6.F.**, which requires that the Affirmative Action Committee has reviewed the proposed Affirmative Action outreach plan, including any numerical goals established. *(Rule 6.F & Reg. 2.2.I)*

f. A copy of all **written public and online comments** submitted through the process provided above about the Plan. *[Include information identifying each person and/or organization making the comment and where appropriate, a description of the person or group so represented, if such information has been provided or is available to the State Party.]* *(Rule 1.C & Reg. 2.2.G)*

g. A blank copy of **forms** to be filed with the state and the State Party by delegate and alternate candidates. *(Rule 1.A.7, Rule 1.A.8 & Reg. 2.2.H)*

h. **Copies of all state statutes and other relevant legal authority** reasonably related to:

i. the Delegate Selection Process *[For example, include any and all state statutory requirements related to: ballot access for presidential candidates; filing requirements for delegate and alternate candidates; timing of the presidential primary, caucuses, and/or the state convention; participation in the state’s presidential primary or caucuses, including Party registration or enrollment provisions; and any other stipulations made by the state regarding the selection process or the role of National Convention delegates.]* *(Reg. 2.2.L)*

ii. The election of Presidential Electors *[i.e., state statutory requirements related to the selection of Presidential Electors, including whether the Electors are required to vote for the Party’s nominee and how that is enforced.]* *(Call VIII)*

i. A copy of all **presidential candidate qualifying forms** to be filed with the state and the State Party. *(Reg. 2.2.M)*

j. A copy of the **State Delegate Selection Media Plan**, describing how the State Party will communicate information about the process to all available and appropriate sources, including social and specialty media directed toward Democratic constituency groups as described in the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program.
3. [For Caucus States]

a. Attach a copy of the **State Party’s proposed budget** outlining State Party’s financial plan and demonstrating the technical ability to successfully run the delegate selection process. *(Rule 2.K.2)*

b. Attach a copy of the **State Party’s Caucus Plan** specifically describing how the caucus process will be implemented and how each level of the caucuses will be conducted.