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MEDIA ALERT

RHODE ISLAND DEMOCRATIC CHAIR REMINDS VOTERS ABOUT UPCOMING DEADLINES FOR APRIL PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARY

WARWICK, R.I. – If you want to vote in the Presidential Preference Primary April 26, run as a Democrat for president of the United States or as a delegate to it and appear on that ballot, Chair Joseph M. McNamara wants you to know about these pressing deadlines:

Presidential Candidates -

January 21 – 23 Candidates must file a Statement of Intent with the Rhode Island Secretary of State's Elections Division, 148 West River St., Providence, on Jan. 21 or Jan. 22 by 4 p.m., or Jan. 23 by noon. ([Copies available](#) online or through the Elections office)
Deadline for returning your nomination papers is Feb. 4.

Delegate Candidates -

January 25-26 The deadline to register to vote in order to file a Declaration of Candidacy as a Delegate
February 24-25 This is when you file your Declaration of Candidacy with the Rhode Island Secretary of State Elections Division, 148 West River Street, Providence. You will receive your nomination papers the day *after* you file this form.
March 1 Deadline for returning your nomination papers to local canvassers' offices

Voters –

March 27 Deadline to register to vote in the Presidential Preference Primary
April 5 Deadline to apply for a mail ballot
April 26 Date of the Rhode Island Presidential Preference Primary

“This election is important and every vote matters,” said Chair McNamara. “If you want your voice heard – as a voter, as a delegate or as a presidential candidate itself – make sure you are prepared and file your paperwork on time. “ For more information, visit www.ridemocrats.org/ or www.sos.ri.gov.

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