

Closed Primary Overview

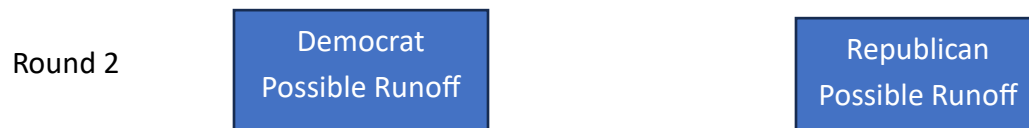
Offices affected

US Senate
US House of Representatives
Louisiana Supreme Court
Public Service Commission
Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE)

Other parties have to submit nominating petitions before qualifying for election



If a closed primary does not result in a candidate receiving 50% plus 1, there will be a closed primary runoff.



Round 3 Top democrat and republican candidate plus all other qualified candidates from other parties. ***Candidate that receives most votes wins.***

Any party other than democrat or republican must have nominating petition to run. US Senate requires 5000 verified signatures. Other races require 1000 verified signatures.

Who Can Vote?

Round 1 Republicans, Democrats, and NO PARTY can vote in round 1. NO PARTY voters ARE REQUIRED to sign an affidavit stating what party they will align with in this entire election cycle. This is only required for rounds 1 and 2; and only for the closed primary races.

If a NO PARTY voter refuses to sign the affidavit, they will not be allowed to vote, even if there are other non-closed primary races on the ballot.

Round 2 Any democrat or republican. If there is a runoff, the NO PARTY voters who voted in the first round are required to vote with the party they picked in Round 1. Notation is made in the poll book about how the NO PARTY voter voted in Round 1. If the NO PARTY voter did not vote in Round 1, they still have the option to choose a party to vote with in this election by signing the affidavit.

Round 3 Any registered voter