Nacogdoches County May 29, 2012 Primary Elections

General Information:

The date for the Nacogdoches County Democratic and Republican Primary Elections is May 29, 2012. All registered voters in Nacogdoches County are eligible to vote in the Primary Elections unless they have signed the petition of an independent candidate or a candidate of another political party other than the Democratic or Republican parties. Voters may either vote a Republican ballot or a Democratic ballot, but may not vote in both Primary Elections. If a voter has signed the petition of a Republican candidate, then that voter must vote in the Republican Primary. If a voter has signed the petition of a Democratic candidate, then that voter must vote in the Democratic Primary. If a voter has signed the petition of an independent candidate or a candidate of another political party other than the Democratic or Republican parties, then that voter is ineligible to vote in the Republican or Democratic Primaries.

Early Voting Schedule:

May 29, 2012 Primaries Early Voting Hours

Early voting will be conducted at The Courthouse Annex, 203 W Main St., Room # 113, Nacogdoches, TX 75961

Monday, May 14, 2012	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday, May 15, 2012	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 16, 2012	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Thursday, May 17, 2012	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Friday, May 18, 2012	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Monday, May 21, 2012	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday, May 22, 2012	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 23, 2012	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Thursday, May 24, 2012	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Friday, May 25, 2012	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

(Closed On May 19th And 20th)

Election Day Voting Schedule And Polling Places:

All polling locations will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Election Day, May 29, 2012

Nacogdoches County Election Day Polling Locations for May 29, 2012 Primary Elections

Voting Precinct	Site	Site Address
12	Beck Building - Cushing	720 Seventh St.
		Cushing, TX 75760
13	First Baptist Church – Douglass	15122 W State Hwy 21
		Douglass, TX 75943
14 & 17	Central Heights ISD	10317 N US HWY 259
		Nacogdoches, TX 75965
15	First Baptist Church - Garrison	275 W Magnolia St.
		Garrison, TX 75946
16	Bethel Baptist Church	429 Happyland Rd.
		Nacogdoches, TX 75965
21	Nacogdoches County Expo Center	3805 NW Stallings Dr
		Nacogdoches, TX 75961
22-23-24-25	C. L. Simon Recreation Center	1112 North Street
		Nacogdoches, TX 75961
26	Nacogdoches Senior Center	621 Harris Street
		Nacogdoches, TX 75964
27	E J Campbell Admin Bldg	511 S. University Dr.
		Nacogdoches, TX 75961
30-31-32	North Street Church Of Christ	3914 North St.
		Nacogdoches, TX 75965
33-34	Calvary Baptist Church	3732 NE Stallings Dr.
		Nacogdoches, TX 75965
42	Old Armory Bldg @ Airport	3330 Armory Dr. (off SH 7W)
		Nacogdoches TX 75961
41 & 43	New Hope Methodist Church	5301 E Main St.
		Nacogdoches, TX 75961
44	Woden ISD	5263 FM 226
		Woden, TX 75978
45	Martinsville ISD	12952 E State Hwy 7
		Nacogdoches, TX 75961
46	Chireno Methodist Church	799 Main St.
		Chireno, TX 75937
47	Etoile ISD	16039 FM 226
		Etoile, TX 75944

Candidates:

Democratic Candidates

Candidates and races are listed in the order they will appear on the ballot.

President

Darcy G. Richardson (Democrat) Barack Obama (Democrat) Bob Ely (Democrat) John Wolfe (Democrat)

United States Senator

Sean Hubbard (Democrat)
Grady Yarbrough (Democrat)
Paul Sadler (Democrat)
Addie Dainell Allen (Democrat)

United States Representative, District 1

Shirley J. McKellar (Democrat)

Railroad Commissioner

Dale Henry (Democrat)

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 6

Michele Petty (Democrat)

Presiding Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals

Keith Hampton (Democrat)

Constable, Precinct No. 2

David Adams (Democrat)

County Chairman

Roy Boldon (Democrat)

PROPOSITION 1

Any graduate of a Texas high school, who has lived in the state for at least three years and lived here continuously for the last year, should be eligible for in-state tuition at state supported colleges and universities and given the opportunity to earn legal status through a higher education or military service.

For (Democratic Proposition) Against (Democratic Proposition)

PROPOSITION 2

"Because a college education is increasingly necessary for jobs that allow our citizens to achieve middle class lifestyles and become the entrepreneurs who create the jobs that our economy relies on, we call on the Texas Legislature to fund colleges and universities such that tuition and fees can be affordable to all Texans."

For (Democratic Proposition)
Against (Democratic Proposition)

PROPOSITION 3

Should the Texas Legislature allow the people of Texas to vote to legalize casino gambling with all funds generated being used only for education?

For (Democratic Proposition)
Against (Democratic Proposition)

Republican Candidates

Candidates and races are listed in the order they will appear on the ballot.

President

Rick Santorum (Republican)
Jon Huntsman (Republican)
Charles "Buddy" Roemer (Republican)
Ron Paul (Republican)
Newt Gingrich (Republican)
Michele Bachmann (Republican)
Mitt Romney (Republican)
John Davis (Republican)
Uncommitted (Republican)

United States Senator

Joe Agris (Republican)

Craig James (Republican)

Ben Gambini (Republican)

Glenn Addison (Republican)

Curt Cleaver (Republican)

Ted Cruz (Republican)

Lela Pittenger (Republican)

Tom Leppert (Republican)

David Dewhurst (Republican)

United States Representative, District 1

Louie Gohmert (Republican)

Railroad Commissioner

Christi Craddick (Republican)

Beryl Burgess (Republican)

Warren Chisum (Republican)

Roland Sledge (Republican)

Becky Berger (Republican)

Joe Cotten (Republican)

Railroad Commissioner Unexpired Term

Elizabeth Murray-Kolb (Republican)

Greg Parker (Republican)

Barry Smitherman (Republican)

Al Lee (Republican)

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 2

Don Willett (Republican)

Steve Smith (Republican)

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 4

David Medina (Republican)

John Devine (Republican)

Joe Pool, Jr. (Republican)

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 6

Nathan Hecht (Republican)

Presiding Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals

Sharon Keller (Republican)

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 7

Barbara Parker Hervey (Republican)

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 8

Elsa Alcala (Republican)

Member, State Board of Education, District 9

Thomas Ratliff (Republican)
Randy Stevenson (Republican)

State Senator, District 3

Tammy Blair (Republican) Robert Nichols (Republican)

State Representative, District 11

Tony Sevilla (Republican) Chuck Hopson (Republican) Travis Clardy (Republican)

Justice, 12th Court of Appeals District, Place 3

Sam Griffith (Republican)

<u>District Judge</u>, 145th Judicial District

Campbell Cox II (Republican)

District Judge, 420th Judicial District

Ed Klein (Republican)

District Attorney, 145th Judicial District

Nicole D. LoStracco (Republican)

County Attorney

John Fleming (Republican)

Sheriff

Jason Bridges (Republican) Thomas Kerss (Republican)

Tax Assessor-Collector

Kim Morton (Republican)

County Commissioner, Precinct No. 1

Jerry Don Williamson (Republican) John N. McGuire (Republican)

County Commissioner, Precinct No. 3

Jim Elder (Republican)

Constable, Precinct No. 1

William Sowell (Republican)

Constable, Precinct No. 3

Roger Dudley (Republican)

Constable, Precinct No. 4

Cameron Nichols (Republican)
David Stone (Republican)

County Chairman

Jackie Yates (Republican)

SCHOOL CHOICE:

The state should fund education by allowing dollars to follow the child instead of the bureaucracy, through a program which allows parents the freedom to choose their child's school, public or private, while also saving significant taxpayer dollars.

Yes (Republican Proposition) No (Republican Proposition)

REPEALING OBAMACARE:

Congress should immediately repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (otherwise known as Obamacare) and reject the rationing of healthcare by government or the intrusion by government into the doctor - patient relationship.

Yes (Republican Proposition) No (Republican Proposition)

PUBLIC PRAYER:

Government should be prohibited from restricting the content of public prayer.

Yes (Republican Proposition) No (Republican Proposition)

BALANCED BUDGET / CONTROLLING GOVERNMENT GROWTH:

Out of control spending should be stopped at all levels of federal and state government through constitutional amendments limiting any increase in government spending to the combined increase of population and inflation, requiring voter approval.

Yes (Republican Proposition) No (Republican Proposition)

REDISTRICTING:

The Texas Legislature should redraw the court-imposed lines for Congress and State legislative districts in its upcoming session in order to remedy inequities.

Yes (Republican Proposition) No (Republican Proposition)

Information About Literature And Candidates:

Voters can feel free to bring in literature to use in the voting booths that will help them in making their choices. However, voters are not allowed to leave their literature in the voting booths after they have voted. Sample ballots will be posted for voters to examine if they would like before receiving their ballots. Election workers will be happy to assist all voters in helping them understand how to mark their ballots and will be happy to read the ballots to voters as well if they are asked to. However, election workers will not provide any information or insight to voters regarding candidates, so we recommend that voters research the candidates running for office before they come in to vote. The Nacogdoches County Elections Office does not provide any literature or signage for candidates running for office. To find out more about the candidates running for office or to obtain campaign materials, we recommend that you contact the local Democratic and Republican parties. Contact information is listed below:

Nacogdoches Democratic Party Website: www.nacdemocrats.org

Nacogdoches Republican Party Website: www.nac-gop.com

Other Important Information:

The most important date coming up is **Monday, April 30, 2012**. This is the last day to register to vote for the May 29, 2012 Primary Elections and all applications must be received (not postmarked) by the Nacogdoches County Elections Office by this date. The Elections Office will be open until 5:00 p.m. on April 30, 2012.

If you have moved recently you need to re-register to vote. Voter registration is connected to your address. If you stay at the same address year after year, then you don't ever have to re-register because your voter registration is automatically renewed every two years. However, whenever you move you have to re-register or you will eventually be removed from the voter roll. Even if you move within the same county, city, or even on the same street you have to re-register. You also need to re-register if you have made any changes to your mailing address. For example, if you had a PO Box last year, and now you don't, then you need to re-register/update your address information. Everyone in Nacogdoches County who has registered to vote should receive a yellow and white voter certificate by April 25, 2012. If you do not receive a yellow and white voter certificate with your current residence and current mailing address by April 25, 2012 then you may not be registered to vote. Please contact the Elections Office by April 30, 2012 if you are not sure if you are registered to vote and we will gladly help you.

We are now accepting applications for mail ballots. To qualify to vote by mail, you must be 65 years of age or older, or have a disability, or be confined in jail, or be able to provide an address outside of Nacogdoches County if you will not be in Nacogdoches County during voting times. The last day for the Elections Office to accept/receive applications for mail ballots is May 22, 2012. Applications for mail ballots can be hand delivered to the Elections Office until Early Voting begins on May 14, 2012. Once Early Voting begins, the applications have to be mailed to the Elections Office.

First time voters need to bring some form of ID in addition to or instead of their voter registration certificates. All other voters can present either their voter registration certificates or one of the appropriate forms of ID listed: 1. driver license or personal identification card, 2. a form of identification containing the person's photograph that establishes the persons identity, 3. a birth certificate, 4. United States citizenship papers, 5. United States passport, 6. official mail addressed to the person by name from a government entity, 7. a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document that shows the name and address of the voter, 8. any form of identification prescribed by the Secretary of State.

No campaign buttons, apparel, hats, or shirts are allowed in the polling place. No exceptions. Voters may bring in literature to the polling place regarding candidates or issues to use in the voting booths, but these materials are not to be left in the voting booths. No campaigning is allowed within 100 feet of a polling place.

Polls are open 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Election Day for all polling locations.

A public waiting area will be open at 7:00 p.m. on Election Night at the Courthouse Annex for the media and voters who want to receive printouts of election results as soon as they are available. Early Voting results will be released around 7:00 p.m. Final results for the elections are estimated to be available between 9:30 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. on Election Night.

A public test of the electronic voting equipment to be used in the May 29, 2012 Nacogdoches County Primary Elections will take place at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 23, 2012 in the Elections Office located within the Courthouse Annex Building – 203 W. Main St. – Nacogdoches, TX 75961.