




**CHARLESTON COUNTY  
BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND VOTER REGISTRATION  
2012 ELECTION CALENDAR**

**NOTE:** All numerical statutes are in reference to the S. C. Code of Laws 1976, as amended. (Example; 7-5-120 means Title 7, Chapter 5, Section 120) All dates are based on current law.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Statutes</b>
<b>August 23, 2011</b>	First day 16 & 17 year olds that turn 18 on or before November 6, 2012, General Election may begin registering to vote. These voters may participate in the Presidential Preference Primary and June Primaries and Runoffs.	<b>7-5-180</b>
November 22, 2011	First public notice of Republican PPP and polling locations to be published no later than this date in newspaper of general circulation in the county	7-13-35
December 6, 2011	Second public notice of Republican PPP to be published no later than this date	7-13-35
December 21, 2011	Last day to register to vote in January 21 Republican PPP	
<b>January 2, 2012 Monday</b>	<b>Holiday - New Year's Day</b>	
January 6	Public Testing voting equipment – 10 am – BEVR office	
<b>January 16, 2012 Monday</b>	<b>Holiday - Martin Luther King Jr</b>	
<b>January 18</b>	<b>Regular Board Meeting –PSB- 6:30 pm</b>	
<b>January 21 Saturday</b>	<b>Republican Presidential Preference Primary</b> <b>Polls open 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 pm</b> 	<b>7-11-20</b>
January 26 Thursday	County board of canvassers meet to certify PPP Election Results – BEVR Office @10:00 am	7-17-510
<b>February 15</b>	<b>Regular Board Meeting – PSB-6:30 pm</b>	
<b>February 20 Tuesday</b>	<b>Holiday – Presidents Day</b>	
March 2	Advertisement to be placed by party county chairman on notice of candidate filing	7-13-45
<b>March 6</b>	<b>Town of Mount Pleasant Special Election to Annex Property</b> <b>Board of Canvassers – Certify Results on Thursday, March 8, 2012 @ 10 am</b>	5-3-300
March 16 12:00 noon	Filing opens for party primary and convention candidates for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- U.S. House of Representatives</li> <li>- State Senate</li> <li>- State House of Representatives</li> <li>- multi-county district offices</li> <li>- solicitor (circuits 1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 16)</li> <li>- countywide and less than countywide offices</li> </ul>	7-11-15, 7-11-210, 7-11-220

	Candidates file proper forms including Statement of Intention of Candidacy (SIC) with their political party	
<b>March 21</b>	<b>Regular Board Meeting – PSB-6:30pm</b>	
<b>March 29</b>	First public notice of special primary(State Senate District 41) and polling place locations to be published no later than this date in newspaper of general circulation in county	
<b>March 30 12:00 noon</b>	<b>Filing Closes for party primary and convention candidates, US House of Rep, State Senate, State House of Rep, multi-county districts, solicitor</b>	<b>7-11-15</b>
<b>March 30 12:00 noon</b>	<b>Filing opens for Special Primary -State Senate Seat District 41 Filing closes on April 9, 2012 Special Primary will be held on May 29, 2012 Last day to register to vote in this election – April 28, 2012 Certify Results on May 31, 2012 @ 10:00 am</b>	
<b>March 31</b>	<b>Last day for political parties to hold county convention</b>	7-9-70
<b>April 3</b>	<b>City of Folly Beach - Municipal Election Certify on Thursday - April 5 Run-off if needed – April 17</b>	
<b>April 9 12:00 noon</b>	<b>Filing closes for Special Primary -State Senate Seat District 41</b>	
<b>April 12</b>	Second public notice of special primary(State Senate District 41) and Polling place locations to be published no later than this date in newspaper of general circulation in county	
<b>April 13</b>	First public notice of statewide primary and polling place locations to be published no later than this date in newspaper of general circulation in county	7-13-35
<b>April 18</b>	<b>Regular Board Meeting – PSB-6:30pm</b>	
<b>April 24</b>	<b>James Island Incorporation Election Polls open 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Certification: MOE, Thursday, April 26, 2012 @ 10:00 am, BEVR Office</b>	
<b>April 27</b>	Second public notice of statewide primary to be published two weeks after first notice (no later than this date.)	7-13-35
<b>April 28</b>	Last day to register to vote in May 29, 2012 Special Primary -State Senate Seat District 41	
<b>May 12</b>	<b>Last day to register to vote in June 12, 2012 Primary</b>	7-5-150
<b>May 16</b>	<b>Regular Board Meeting – PSB-6:30pm</b>	
<b>May 28 Monday</b>	<b>Holiday – Memorial Day</b>	
<b>May 29 Tuesday</b>	<b>Special Primary -State Senate Seat District 41 Polls open 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Certify Election Results on Thursday, May 31, 2012 @ 10 am, BEVR Office</b>	

<b>June 12 Tuesday</b>	<p align="center"><b>Statewide Primary Election Day</b> Polls open 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.</p> 	7-13-40 7-13-60
<b>June 12 Tuesday</b>	<b>State Senate Seat District 41 Special Primary Runoff (If needed)</b>	
<b>June 14 Thursday</b>	<p align="center">County board of canvassers meet to certify State Senate District 41 <b>Special Primary Runoff Results – BEVR Office @ 9:30 am</b></p>	
<b>June 14 Thursday</b>	<p align="center">County board of canvassers meet to certify Statewide Primary Election Results <b>BEVR Office @10:00 am</b></p>	7-17-510
<b>June 16</b>	Voter registration deadline for Special Election to be held on July 17, 2012 for State Senate Seat District 41	
<b>June 20</b>	<b>Regular Board Meeting – PSB-6:30pm</b>	
<b>June 26 Tuesday</b>	<b>State Primary Runoff (if required)</b>	<b>7-13-40</b>
<b>June 28 Thursday</b>	County board of canvassers meet to certify Primary Runoff Election Results – BEVR Office @10:00 am	7-17-510
<b>July 4 Wednesday</b>	<b>Holiday – Independence Day</b>	
<b>July 17 Tuesday</b>	<p align="center"><b>General Election -State Senate Seat District 41</b> Polls open 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 pm ***** County Board of Canvassers will meet on Friday, July 20, 2012 to certify General Election Results – BEVR Office @ 10:00 am</p>	
<b>July 18</b>	<b>Regular Board Meeting – PSB-6:30 pm</b>	
<b>July 31 Tuesday</b>	<p align="center"><b>James Island General Election (Pending Incorporation Election)</b> Polls open 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. <b>Certification – MOE, August 2, 2012, BEVR Office 10:00 am</b></p>	
September 7	First public notice of November 6 General Election to be published no later than this date in newspaper of general circulation in county	7-13-35
<b>August 15</b>	<b>Regular Board Meeting – PSB-6:30pm</b>	
<b>September 3 Monday</b>	<b>Holiday – Labor Day</b>	

<b>September 19</b>	<b>Regular Board Meeting – PSB-6:30pm</b>	
October 6	Last date to register to vote in November 6 General Election	<b>7-5-150</b>
<b>October 17</b>	<b>Regular Board Meeting – PSB-6:30pm</b>	
<b>November 6 Tuesday</b>	<b>General Election Day</b> <b>Polls open 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 pm</b> 	<b>7-13-10 7-13-60</b>
<b>November 9 Friday</b>	<b>County board of canvassers meet to certify General Election Results</b> <b>BEVR Office @10:00 am</b>	7-17-10
<b>November 12 Monday</b>	<b>Holiday – Veterans Day</b>	
<b>November 21</b>	<b>Regular Board Meeting – PSB-6:30 pm</b>  <b>(No board meeting scheduled for December 2012)</b>	
<b>Nov. 22 &amp; 23 Thurs/Friday</b>	<b>Holiday - Thanksgiving</b>	
<b>December 4 Tuesday</b>	<b>Town of Kiawah Island – Municipal Election</b> <b>Polls open 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 pm</b>	
<b>December 24, 25, &amp; 26 Mon, Tues &amp; Wed</b>	<b>Holiday – Christmas</b>	