


**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.

Date	Event	Statutes
August 23, 2011	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.	7-5-180
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	
January 2, 2012 Monday	Holiday - New Year's Day	
January 6	Public Testing voting equipment – 10 am – BEVR office	
January 16, 2012 Monday	Holiday - Martin Luther King Jr	
January 18	Regular Board Meeting –PSB- 6:30 pm	
January 21 Saturday	Republican Presidential Preference Primary Polls open 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 pm 	7-11-20
January 26 Thursday	County board of canvassers meet to certify PPP Election Results – BEVR Office @10:00 am	7-17-510
February 15	Regular Board Meeting – PSB-6:30 pm	
February 20 Tuesday	Holiday – Presidents Day	
March 2	Advertisement to be placed by party county chairman on notice of candidate filing	7-13-45
March 6	Town of Mount Pleasant Special Election to Annex Property Board of Canvassers – Certify Results on Thursday, March 8, 2012 @ 10 am	5-3-300
March 16 12:00 noon	Filing opens for party primary and convention candidates for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - U.S. House of Representatives - State Senate - State House of Representatives - multi-county district offices - solicitor (circuits 1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 16) - countywide and less than countywide offices Candidates file proper forms including Statement of Intention of Candidacy (SIC) with their political party	7-11-15, 7-11-210, 7-11-220

March 21	Regular Board Meeting – PSB-6:30pm	
March 30 12:00 noon	Filing Closes	7-11-15
March 31	Last day for political parties to hold county convention	7-9-70
April 3	City of Folly Beach - Municipal Election Run-off if needed – April 17	
April 13	First public notice of primary and polling place locations to be published no later than this date in newspaper of general circulation in county.	7-13-35
April 18	Regular Board Meeting – PSB-6:30pm	
April 27	Second public notice of primary to be published two weeks after first notice (no later than this date.)	7-13-35
May 12	Last day to register to vote in June 12, 2012 Primary Election	7-5-150
May 16	Regular Board Meeting – PSB-6:30pm	
May 28 Monday	Holiday – Memorial Day	
June 12 Tuesday	Primary Election Day Polls open 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. 	7-13-40 7-13-60
June 14 Thursday	County board of canvassers meet to certify Primary Election Results – BEVR Office @10:00 am	7-17-510
June 20	Regular Board Meeting – PSB-6:30pm	
June 26 Tuesday	Primary runoff (if required)	7-13-40
June 28 Thursday	County board of canvassers meet to certify Primary Runoff Election Results – BEVR Office @10:00 am	7-17-510
July 4 Wednesday	Holiday – Independence Day	
July 18	Regular Board Meeting – PSB-6:30pm	
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
August 15	Regular Board Meeting – PSB-6:30pm	
September 3 Monday	Holiday – Labor Day	

September 19	Regular Board Meeting – PSB-6:30pm	
October 6	Last date to register to vote in November 6 General Election	7-5-150
October 17	Regular Board Meeting – PSB-6:30pm	
November 6 Tuesday	General Election Day Polls open 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 pm 	7-13-10 7-13-60
November 9 Friday	County board of canvassers meet to certify General Election Results – BEVR Office @10:00 am	7-17-10
November 12 Monday	Holiday – Veterans Day	
November 21	Regular Board Meeting – PSB-6:30pm	
Nov. 22 & 23 Thurs/Friday	Holiday - Thanksgiving	
December 4 Tuesday	Town of Kiawah Island – Municipal Election Polls open 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 pm	
December 24, 25, & 26 Mon, Tues & Wed	Holiday – Christmas	