

Washington State Elections Weekly

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Happy Post Election Day

Congratulations to those of you who conducted elections yesterday. We were monitoring and supporting you from our end and everything appeared to go smoothly. We'll continue supporting the results uploads through certification. Now...on to candidate filing week!

Online Candidate Filing/Statement Submission Improvements

Many of you are in the process of testing [technical improvements](#) made to online candidate filing, statement submission, and related applications.

Timeline –

- April 28 – changes will go live
- April 28 – state testing
- April 29-May 1 – county testing
- April 29-May 4 – any issues resolved
- May 5 – test data cleared
- May 12 – online candidate filing begins

If you are not already testing, but would like to help test these improvements when they go live, please email [Tami Davis](#).

Training

Sessions are filling quickly! [Register](#) this week and receive a link to our 1-hour online training for WEI counties. Even if you're familiar with WEI Admin, this training walks through significant changes to the Candidate Filing and Statement Submission modules, publication of candidate statements, and tips for formatting your online voters' guide.

Candidate Filing Clearinghouses

We've updated three notices to reflect legislative changes, new citations, and examples.

- [Filing for Office](#) (with chart) explains timelines, procedures, vacancies, voids, and more.
- [Precinct Committee Officer Elections](#) covers filing procedures, formatting races, counting votes, and visuals.
- [Partisan Primaries](#) summarizes changes from the 2013 & 2014 Legislature.

For all current notices, please see [Clearinghouse Notices](#) posted on the Administrators tab.

Request for Written Materials

The Plain Talk course at the Elections Conference requests your sample notices, written policies or anything the public finds confusing.

Do you have a document that's difficult to understand or seems too long? Would you like help simplifying the language?

Send your samples to ctsupport@sos.wa.gov for a Plain Talk makeover! We'll use your examples during this conference course.

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