



Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes
Election Commission
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For Immediate Release

ELECTION COMMISSION ANNOUNCES THE 2021 PRIMARY AND GENERAL ELECTIONS

Concho, Oklahoma (January 12, 2021) – The Cheyenne and Arapaho Election Commission will begin election proceedings for the 2021 Primary and General Elections on May 3, 2021.

The Following Public Offices are up for Election:

Executive Office

Governor
Lt. Governor

District Legislative Office

Arapaho District 1
Arapaho District 2
Cheyenne District 2
Cheyenne District 4

District Election Commission

Arapaho District 3
Arapaho District 4
Cheyenne District 1
Cheyenne District 3

The Primary Election will be October 5, 2021. The General Election will be November 2, 2021.

Beginning May 3, 2021, nominations for public office will open to qualified candidates. Registration packets will be available at the Election Commission office located in the Education Building, Concho, OK. Filing Fee will need to be paid before receiving a packet. **Nominations will close on June 1, 2021.** All Interested candidates must submit their completed registration packet along with their verification of candidate eligibility by 5:00pm on June 1, 2021.

Candidate Filing Fees

Governor	\$250.00	District Legislative Office	\$200.00	District Election Commission	\$100.00
Lt. Governor	250.00				

The non-refundable filing fee must be a cashiers check or money order payable to the Election Commission.

Waivers of the filing fee are available upon request if the person meets or falls below the current federal poverty guidelines and can document this with their prior year federal income tax. This determination must be made before a packet can be picked up.

The Minimum Qualifications for Governor and Lt. Governor Candidates are as follows:

1. The Candidates for Governor and Lt. Governor shall be enrolled members of the tribe, at least 35 years of age and each must possess at least a Bachelor of Science Degree from an accredited school;
2. No person convicted of a felony within the last ten years shall serve as Governor or Lt. Governor unless pardoned;
3. At the time of filing a nomination petition, the candidate shall physically reside in a voting district and if elected, reside in a voting district for the duration of their term;
4. The candidates shall submit copies of his or her Federal Income Tax Returns for the previous five years and provide a written list of all of his or her personal and real property;
5. The candidates cannot owe any money or owe any debts to the tribes;
6. The Governor and Lt. Governor will run as a team.

The Minimum Qualifications for District Legislative Candidates are as follows:

1. A candidate for District Legislator shall be an enrolled member of the tribes, at least 25 years of age and shall possess a high school diploma or its equivalent;
2. No person convicted of a felony within the last ten years shall be eligible to serve as District Legislator unless pardoned;
3. At the time of filing a nomination petition, a candidate for District Legislator shall physically reside and be a registered voter in the district for which he or she seeks elective office and if elected, the candidate SHALL reside in that district for the duration of their term;
4. The candidate cannot owe any money or owe any debts to the tribes.

The Minimum Qualifications for District Election Commission Candidates are as follows:

1. A candidate for District Election Commissioner shall be an enrolled member of the tribe and shall possess a High School Diploma or its equivalent;
2. No person convicted of a felony shall be eligible to serve as an Election Commissioner;
3. At the time of filing a nomination petition, a candidate for District Election Commissioner shall physically reside in the district for which he or she seeks elective office and if elected, reside in that district for the duration of their term;
4. The candidate cannot owe any money or owe any debts to the tribes.

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