

## **2016 DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION VIRGINIA'S DELEGATE SELECTION PROCESS**

### **I. Democratic National Convention**

The Democratic National Convention will be held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on July 25-28, 2016 and select the Party's candidates for President and Vice President of the United States.

### **II. Virginia's Delegation**

Virginia will elect 109 National Delegates and 8 Alternates. Virginia's 11 Congressional Districts will elect a total of 62 National Delegates and 6 Alternates. Another 14 National Delegates are Party Leader and Elected Officials who are "automatic" delegates. The additional National Delegates will be elected at the State Convention. The National Delegates elected at the State Convention will include 21 At-Large Delegates and 2 Alternates and 12 Pledged Party Leader and Elected Officials.

### **III. The March 1, 2016 Primary**

A primary will be held on March 1, 2016. Any voter can participate in the primary. Voters must choose to vote in either the Democratic or Republican primary. The percentage each candidate receives in the primary will determine that candidate's percentage of CD/State delegates for each locality and the percentage of National Convention delegates elected at each CD convention and the state convention.

### **IV. April 2016 Caucuses**

On either April 16 or 18, 2016, cities and counties across the Commonwealth will hold caucuses that will select "State Delegates" to Congressional District Conventions and a State Convention. The State Delegates will also be allocated among the Democratic Candidates in proportion to the percentage of their vote in the primary. The State Delegates will then elect the National Delegates.

### **V. Congressional District Conventions and Virginia State Convention**

The Congressional District Conventions in May 2016 and the State Convention on June 18, 2016 will elect the National Delegates.

### **VI. Open Process**

The process is open to all members of the Democratic Party regardless of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, ethnic identity, sexual orientation, economic status or physical disability. The Party also has an active affirmative action and outreach program to encourage full participation by all Democrats.

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