

CALL TO CAUCUS TO REORGANIZE THE FLOYD COUNTY DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE

The Floyd County Democratic Committee, herein referred to as FCDC, will hold an assembled caucus on, **January 6, 2024**, from **10:00 AM to 11:00 AM** at the **Event Center** in the **Floyd EcoVillage (188 EcoVillage Trail, Floyd, Va 24091)** for the purpose of electing the new membership of the FCDC pursuant to the Democratic Party of Virginia Party Plan.

I. Candidate Filing:

Each person seeking to become a member of the FCDC shall complete and submit a membership application prior to the start of the January 6 meeting. Membership applications can be completed and mailed in as long as they are received by **January 1, 2024**. Membership Filing Forms can be mailed to **P.O. Box 627, Floyd, VA 24091** and should be directed to the FCDC Secretary. Membership applications can also be completed and turned in on-site the day of the meeting prior to the meeting being called to order.

There are no application fees or membership dues for any applicant for membership.

II. Qualification of Candidates:

The Application Form, which all applicants for membership must sign, will include the following written declaration:

I declare myself to be an applicant for membership on the Floyd County Democratic Committee. I also declare that I believe in the principles of the Democratic Party and that I will not support any candidate opposed to any Democratic nominee as long as I am a member of the Committee.

III. Notice:

The FCDC shall provide notice of this caucus by placement of a general notice of the filing deadline and the caucus, including noticing the caucus date, time, and location, along with the Call to Caucus, on the Democratic Party of Virginia, the Floyd County Democratic Committee website and social media platforms; by email notification to Democrats who reside in Floyd County; and through other reasonable means that will disseminate information about the caucus to registered voters in Floyd County. In addition, reasonable actions shall be taken to promote participation in the caucus in accordance with the Affirmative Action provisions of the Party Plan of the DPVA.

V. Membership Allocation

Specific to your locality.

VI. Participation

Every Democrat who is a registered voter in Floyd County is urged to attend and participate. If an individual does not appear on the Registered Voter List, they will not be allowed to participate. Participants will also be required to sign a Caucus Participation Form stating that they:

- A. Are a Democrat;
- B. Are a registered voter within Floyd County
- C. Believe in the principles of the Democratic Party; and
- D. Does not intend to support any candidates opposed to a Democratic nominee in the next ensuing election.

Applications are subject to challenge from the floor if it is believed the applicant does not meet the above criteria for membership.

VII. Conduct of the Caucus

The **doors to the caucus will open at 9:00 AM and close at 10:00 AM** (one hour). Upon the closing of the doors, only those persons who have submitted an application or who are in line to submit an application at 10:00 AM will be permitted to participate.

VIII. Determination of Membership

All applicants who meet the criteria for membership stated in Section VI and do not have unresolved or open challenges are eligible for membership by acclamation of the applicants in attendance.

VIII. Affirmative Action

It shall be the duty and goal of all members of the Floyd County Democratic Committee to seek out and encourage the broadest possible participation within the committee, and in its membership, of all duly qualified citizens without regard to race, sex, age, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, ethnic identity, disability, or economic status.

IX. Officer Elections

Immediately following the adjournment of the assembled caucus, the newly formed FCDC will meet for the sole purpose of electing the officers of the committee.