

FEBRUARY 3RD, 2020: THE FIRST-IN-THE-NATION

IOWA CAUCUSES

Caucuses are gatherings of neighbors where Democrats meet to organize their precinct for the upcoming election, discuss important issues, and declare their Presidential preference.

The 2020 caucuses kick off our efforts to defeat Donald Trump and take back our state.

WHERE

The precinct caucuses will take place at all 1,678 precincts in Iowa. You can find your caucus location at: www.iwillvote.com.

Iowans who are unable to attend their precinct caucus, can caucus at a satellite caucus. There are 99 satellite locations, including 71 in-state, 25 out-of-state, and 3 international sites.

WHEN

February 3, 2020.

All caucusgoers **MUST** be in line no later than 7:00 pm to participate.

If you are unable to attend your precinct caucus, you may be able to attend a satellite caucus.

WHAT

There are three main parts to the caucus:

Introductory Business: During this time the caucus will elect the permanent chair and secretary, hear a message from the state party chair, hear from local elected officials, and if time allows hear from local candidates for office.

Presidential Preference: During this time you will determine viability, break into preference groups, and elect delegates to the County Convention.

Party Business: During this time you will elect members to the county central committee and discuss platform planks to the county convention.

HOW

Eligible caucusgoers divide to form Presidential preference groups—simply by standing in a section of the room devoted to their candidate. If a preference group for a candidate does not have enough people to be considered “viable,” which in most precincts is 15% of attendees, caucus-goers will have one more opportunity to join another preference group or acquire people into their group to become viable.

Delegates are then awarded to the final preference groups based on their size. Caucuses represent democracy in action, and we expect a lot of moving around and lively dialogue between caucusgoers on February 3, 2020.

WHAT'S NEXT?

- 1. Make sure you're a registered Democrat in Iowa**
- 2. Check-in Early by January 17 to attend your caucus**
- 3. Find your caucus location**

You can do all of this at thecaucuses.org!