FLORIDA IS A CLOSED PRIMARY STATE AND UNIVERSAL PRIMARY CONTEST

Closed Primary State

This means that only voters who are registered members of a political party may vote for their respective party’s candidates in a Primary Election.

Universal Primary Contest

However, if all candidates for an office have the same party affiliation and the winner will have no opposition in the General Election, all qualified voters, regardless of party affiliation, may vote in the Primary Election for that office. This is known as a “Universal Primary Contest.”

On the August 18, 2020 Primary Election ballot, there are five Universal Primary Contests as well as nonpartisan races that are applicable to all registered voters, regardless of party affiliation:

- State Attorney
- State Representative District 102
- State Representative District 107
- State Representative District 108
- State Representative District 117

Know your party affiliation before you vote.