

**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY OFFICE OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS**  
**SUMMARY OF 2026 QUALIFYING INFORMATION FOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY CANDIDATES**

Below is a summary of the qualifying methods available by office, and you are encouraged to read through Section 1.0 of the [Miami-Dade County Candidate Qualifying Handbook](#) for detailed information and resources available for each office up for election in 2026.

OFFICE	TERM	QUALIFYING DATES	QUALIFYING METHOD				
			Qualifying Fee		Petition	Write-In	
<b>COUNTY COURT JUDGE</b> (Nonpartisan, Countywide)	6 years (01/05/27 - 01/04/33)	Monday, 04/20/26 (noon) through Friday, 04/24/26 (noon)	Qualifying Fee - \$7,590.20 (4% of the annual salary as of 07/01/25), paid from campaign account.			No qualifying fee. Must file all required forms, and a <a href="#">DS-DE 104</a> for at least 1% of registered electors countywide.	No qualifying fee. Must file all required forms and select the option "Write-In candidate" on the <a href="#">DS-DE 303JU-E</a> .
			<b>Required Forms</b>		<b>Optional Forms</b>		
			- <a href="#">DS-DE 9</a> - <a href="#">DS-DE 83</a> - <a href="#">MD-ED 2</a> - <a href="#">MD-ED 10</a>	- <a href="#">DS-DE 303JU-E</a> - <a href="#">CE Form 6</a> <i>(To be filed electronically- Copy for qualifying)</i>	- <a href="#">Declaration and First Amendment Waiver</a> - <a href="#">Declaration for Candidates Not Automatically Covered</a>		
<b>BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS</b> (Nonpartisan, Even number Districts & District 05 Vacancy Election)	4 years (11/17/26 - 11/19/30)	Tuesday, 05/26/26 (8:00 a.m.) through Tuesday, 06/09/26 (noon)	Qualifying Fee - \$360.00 (\$300.00 qualifying fee plus 1% of the salary on 10/01/25), paid from campaign account.			No qualifying fee. Must file all required forms, and a <a href="#">DS-DE 104</a> for at least 1% of registered electors in the district.	Qualifying fee of \$300.00 Must file all required forms and select the option "Write- In candidate" on the <a href="#">MD-ED 25</a> .
			<b>Required Forms</b>		<b>Optional Forms</b>		
			- <a href="#">DS-DE 9</a> - <a href="#">DS-DE 84</a> - <a href="#">MD-ED 2</a> - <a href="#">MD-ED 10</a>	- <a href="#">MD-ED 25</a> - Proof of Residency - <a href="#">CE Form 6</a> <i>(To be filed electronically- Copy for qualifying)</i>	- <a href="#">Declaration and First Amendment Waiver</a>		
<b>SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS</b> (Nonpartisan, Even number Districts)	4 years (11/17/26 - 11/19/30)	Monday, 06/08/26 (noon) through Friday, 06/12/26 (noon)	Qualifying Fee - \$2,200.56 (4% of the annual salary as of 07/01/25), paid from campaign account.			No qualifying fee. Must file all required forms, and a <a href="#">DS-DE 104</a> for at least 1% of registered electors in the district.	No qualifying fee. Must file all required forms and select the option "Write- In candidate" on the <a href="#">DS-DE 304SB-E</a> .
			<b>Required Forms</b>		<b>Optional Forms</b>		
			- <a href="#">DS-DE 9</a> - <a href="#">DS-DE 84</a> - <a href="#">MD-ED 2</a> - <a href="#">MD-ED 10</a>	- <a href="#">DS-DE 304SB-E</a> - <a href="#">CE Form 6</a> <i>(To be filed electronically- Copy for qualifying)</i>	- <a href="#">Declaration and First Amendment Waiver</a> - <a href="#">Declaration for Candidates Not Automatically Covered</a>		
<b>COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT</b> (Nonpartisan, Districtwide <u>Seats</u> )	4 years (11/17/26 - 11/19/30)	Monday, 06/08/26 (noon) through Friday, 06/12/26 (noon)	Qualifying Fee - \$25.00, may be paid by Personal Check, Money Order, Cashier's Check.			No qualifying fee. Must file all required forms, and a <a href="#">DS-DE 104</a> for at least 25 registered electors of the district.	No qualifying fee. Must file all required forms and select the option "Write-In candidate" on the <a href="#">DS-DE 302NP-E</a> .
			<b>Required Forms</b>	<b>Only if opening an account</b>	<b>Optional Forms</b>		
			- <a href="#">MD-ED 27</a> - <a href="#">MD-ED 2</a> - <a href="#">DS-DE 302NP-E</a> - <a href="#">CE Form 1</a> <i>(To be filed electronically- Copy for qualifying)</i>	- <a href="#">DS-DE 9</a> - <a href="#">DS-DE 84</a> - <a href="#">MD-ED 10</a>	- <a href="#">Declaration and First Amendment Waiver</a> - <a href="#">Declaration for Candidates Not Automatically Covered</a>		

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COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEMBERS (Nonpartisan, Area/Sub-Area)	4 years (11/17/26 – 11/19/30)	Monday, 06/08/26 (8:00 am) through Tuesday, 06/09/26 (noon)	Qualifying Fee - \$100.00, paid from campaign account.			N/A	Qualifying fee of \$100.00 Must file all required forms and select the option "Write- In candidate" on the <a href="#">MD-ED 25</a> .
			Required Forms		Optional Forms		
			- <a href="#">DS-DE 9</a> - <a href="#">DS-DE 84</a> - <a href="#">MD-ED 2</a> - <a href="#">MD-ED 10</a>	- <a href="#">MD-ED 25</a> - Proof of Residency - <a href="#">CE Form 1</a> <i>(To be filed electronically- Copy for qualifying)</i>	- <a href="#">Declaration and First Amendment Waiver</a>		

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