

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 | | | | |
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| | | | Qualifying Fee | | Petition | Write-In | |
| COUNTY COURT JUDGE (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 DS-DE 104 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 DS-DE 303JU-E . |
| | | | Required Forms | | Optional Forms | | |
| | | | - DS-DE 9 - DS-DE 83 - DS-DE 84 - MD-ED 2 - MD-ED 10 | - DS-DE 303JU-E - CE Form 6 <i>(To be filed electronically- Copy for qualifying)</i> | - Declaration and First Amendment Waiver - Declaration for Candidates Not Automatically Covered | | |
| BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (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 DS-DE 104 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 MD-ED 25 . |
| | | | Required Forms | | Optional Forms | | |
| | | | - DS-DE 9 - DS-DE 84 - MD-ED 2 - MD-ED 10 | - MD-ED 25 - Proof of Residency - CE Form 6 <i>(To be filed electronically- Copy for qualifying)</i> | - Declaration and First Amendment Waiver | | |
| SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS (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 DS-DE 104 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 DS-DE 304SB-E . |
| | | | Required Forms | | Optional Forms | | |
| | | | - DS-DE 9 - DS-DE 84 - MD-ED 2 - MD-ED 10 | - DS-DE 304SB-E - CE Form 6 <i>(To be filed electronically- Copy for qualifying)</i> | - Declaration and First Amendment Waiver - Declaration for Candidates Not Automatically Covered | | |
| COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (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 DS-DE 104 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 DS-DE 302NP-E . |
| | | | Required Forms | Only if opening an account | Optional Forms | | |
| | | | - MD-ED 27 - MD-ED 2 - DS-DE 302NP-E - CE Form 1 <i>(To be filed electronically- Copy for qualifying)</i> | - DS-DE 9 - DS-DE 84 - MD-ED 10 | - Declaration and First Amendment Waiver - Declaration for Candidates Not Automatically Covered | | |

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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 MD-ED 25 . |
| | | | Required Forms | | Optional Forms | | |
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