

**CANDIDATE FILING SCHEDULE**  
**PRIMARY ELECTION**  
**June 2, 2026**

DATE	DOCUMENTS	REQUIRED FOR
December 19, 2025 - February 4, 2026	<p><b>Petitions In-Lieu of the Filing Fee - Optional</b></p> <p>During this period, petition forms may be obtained to secure signatures in-lieu of all or a portion of the filing fee. Signatures submitted on the petitions in-lieu may also be applied to the signature requirements for offices on the nominating petition. In-lieu filing fee petitions shall be filed at least 30 days before the close of the nomination period. <b>Within 10 days after receipt of a petition, the elections official shall notify the candidate of any deficiency.</b> The candidate shall then, at the time of obtaining nomination forms, pay a pro rata portion of the filing fee to cover the deficiency.  (E. C. §§ 8061, 8105 and 8106)</p>	<p><b>Petitions In-Lieu of the Filing Fee</b></p> <p><u>Federal Offices:</u>  Representative in Congress</p> <p><u>State Offices:</u>  Governor  Lt. Governor  Secretary of State  Controller  Treasurer</p> <p>Attorney General  Insurance Commissioner  Board of Equalization #4  Supt. of Public Instruction</p> <p><u>State Legislative Offices:</u>  State Senate  State Assembly</p> <p><u>Superior Court Judges</u></p> <p><u>County Offices:</u>  Board of Supervisors, Districts 4 &amp; 5  Assessor/Recorder/County Clerk  Treasurer/Tax Collector</p>
January 26 - February 4	Filing period for Declaration of Intention and Filing Fee, <b>(The Petitions In-Lieu must be filed by February 4, since the filing fee must be paid by that day).</b> (§ 8023)	Superior Court Judge candidates <b><u>only</u></b>
February 5 - 9	Period for filing Declaration of Intention. 5-Day Extension, (§ 8023 (b))	Pertains to Superior Court Judge seats in which the Incumbent has failed to file by February 4, 2026. <b>This extension does not apply to incumbents.</b>
February 9	First day - Petitions In-Lieu of the Filing Fee.	San Diego Unified School Districts - B & C
February 9	First Day for Nomination Forms. (§ 8020) <b>Note:</b> Filing fee is due when papers are <b><u>obtained</u></b> . Candidates for Superior Court Judge pay during the filing of the Declaration of Intention.	<b><u>ALL</u></b> offices listed above, <b><u>plus:</u></b> County Board of Education - Districts 3 & 5 Grossmont-Cuyamaca College - Trustee Areas 1, 2 & 5 San Diego Community College - Districts A, C & E
March 6	Last day to file Petitions In-Lieu & Filing Fee.	San Diego Unified School District candidates <b><u>only</u></b>
March 6	Last day to file Nomination Forms. (§ 8020 (b))	<b><u>ALL</u></b> offices
March 11	End of 5-Day Extension. Last day to file Nomination Forms.	Pertains to all offices in which the incumbent has failed to file by March 6, 2026.