Primary Election Results Reporting Timeline – 2026

Aug. 17 (Mon)

Pre-election night upload to county's election management system

No later than 7 pm (local time)

All early voting results and tabulated vote-by-mail ballots tabulated by end of voting period

(s. 102.141(4), FS.)

Aug. 18 (Tue) ELECTION DAY

Preliminary election night returns

Within 30 minutes of polls close and every 45 minutes thereafter all tabulated VBM and EV results and precinct results

(s. 102.141(4), FS.)

(All returns from precinct/polling places due to the canvassing board no later than next morning (i.e., 2 am Wed)

(s. 102.141(3), FS.)

Aug. 20 (Thu)

Deadline for voter to submit proof of eligibility or signature cure for provisional ballot and/or VBM, as applicable

No later than 5 pm/2nd day (local time)

(ss. 101.048, 101.68, FS.)

Aug. 21 (Fri)

Unofficial returns

Due no later than noon/3rd day

Includes results of provisional ballots and vote-by-mail cures

(s. 102.141(5), FS.)

Aug. 23 (Sun)

2nd unofficial returns

Due no later than 3 pm/5th day if machine recount triggered by unofficial return in race

(s. 102.141(7), FS.)

Aug. 26 (Wed)

County official returns

Due no later than noon/8th day

(Includes results of manual recount if 2nd unofficial returns triggered recount in race

(ss .102.166, 102.112, FS.)

Aug. 27 (Thu)

Elections Canvassing Commission

Certifies official returns by 8 am/9th day

(s. 102.111, FS.)

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