

2020 COUNTY CONVENTION AND DISTRICT MASS MEETINGS NEW KENT COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY

As Chairman of the New Kent County Republican Committee, I, Mark Daniel, pursuant to the Plan of Organization of the Republican Party of Virginia, and as recommended and as directed by the New Kent County Republican Committee at its regular meeting on **Tuesday, February 11th, 2020**, do hereby issue this call for District Mass Meetings and a 2020 County Convention to be held as follows:

Qualifications for Participation

All legal and qualified voters of New Kent County, under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, regardless of race, religion, national origin, or sex, who are in accord with the principles of the Republican Party, and who express either orally or in writing, as may be required, their intent to support all of its nominees for public office in the ensuing election, may participate as members of the Republican Party of Virginia in its mass meetings, party canvasses, conventions, or primaries encompassing their respective election districts. All individuals desiring to participate in the County Convention may be required to present some form of photo identification such as a valid driver's license or other positive identification.

A voter who, subsequent to making a statement of intent, publicly supports a candidate in opposition to a Republican nominee shall not be qualified for participation in party actions, as defined in Article I of the Party Plan of the Republican Party of Virginia, for a period of four (4) years. A person otherwise qualified shall not have participated in Virginia in the nomination process of a party other than the Republican Party within the last five years. A single exception shall be approved for a voter that renounces affiliation with any other party in writing, and who expresses in writing that he/she is in accord with the principles of the Republican Party and intends, at the time of the writing, to support the nominees of the Republican Party in the future. Any voter that utilizes the foregoing exception, and thereafter participates in the nomination process of a party other than the Republican Party, shall not have the benefit of the exception identified in this paragraph thereafter. Within 30 days of receipt, the Official Committee shall provide a copy of this signed renunciation statement to the Republican Party of Virginia to be maintained for a period of 5 years.

Any Military Member who is qualified under the provision above to participate in Republican Party actions and who complies with the procedures to become a delegate to this convention as set forth in this Official Call, and who produces valid military identification or other proof of active duty status shall be certified as delegate and shall not be required to be elected as a delegate.

Each candidate for Delegate to the New Kent County Republican Convention shall pay a filing fee of Five Dollars (\$5.00).

New Kent County 2020 Convention

The New Kent County Republican Convention shall convene at New Kent High School, 7365 Egypt Rd., New Kent VA or its alternate site as designated by the NKCRC Chairman on **Thursday, April 2nd, 2020 at 7:00 PM** for the following purposes:

Convention Purposes

1. Electing the following 275 members of the New Kent County Republican Committee (NKCRC) for a two-year term:
 - a. Chairman
 - b. 274 District/Precinct members (maximum) as shown in this chart:
 - i. District 1: 60 members
 - ii. District 2: 61 members
 - iii. District 3: 49 members
 - iv. District 4: 53 members
 - v. District 5: 51 members

The number of members elected at the Convention shall constitute the maximum number of NKCRC members allowed until the 2022 Biennial meeting. New members may be elected as vacancies occur.

2. Electing up to 275 Delegates and 275 Alternates to cast 55 votes at the **1st Congressional District Convention**, to be held at Caroline County High School, 19155 Rogers Clark Blvd., Milford VA or its alternate site **beginning at 1:00 PM Saturday June 13th, 2020** for the purposes of:
 - a. Electing a Chairman for the 1st Congressional District; and
 - b. Electing three (3) members of the Republican State Central Committee for a term of four years or until their successors are elected; and
 - c. Electing three (3) Delegates and three (3) Alternate Delegates to the Republican National Convention to be held in Charlotte, NC on August 24-27, 2020; and
 - d. Electing one (1) Republican candidate for Elector for President and Vice-President of the United States to be voted for at the election on Tuesday November 3rd, 2020; and
 - e. for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the Convention.
3. Electing up to 275 Delegates and 275 Alternates to cast 55 votes at the **Republican Party of Virginia Convention**, to be held at the Richmond Convention Center, 403 N. 3rd Street, Richmond VA or its alternate site **beginning at 2:30 PM on Friday May 1st, 2020 and at 10:00 AM on Saturday May 2nd, 2020** for the purposes of:
 - a. Binding Virginia Delegates to the 2020 Republican National Convention as to their choice for President on the 1st ballot by a Presidential Preference Poll; and
 - b. Electing twelve (12) At-Large Delegates and twelve (12) At-Large Alternates to the Republican National Convention; and
 - c. Nominating two (2) Electors At-Large to be voted for in the presidential election on November 3rd, 2020; and
 - d. Electing a State Chairman; and
 - e. Nominating a National Committeeman and National Committeewoman; and
 - f. for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the Convention.

Convention Registration

Registration shall begin at 5:30 P.M. and shall end at 6:45 P.M. However, anyone in line at 6:45 P.M. who has been notified that they have been elected as a Delegate and who has paid the appropriate fees will be allowed to register and participate as a full Delegate in the convention. **A valid picture identification will be required for registration.**

Composition of County Convention

The New Kent County Convention shall be composed of (1) Delegates and Alternate Delegates of the respective Magisterial/Supervisor Districts they represent; and (2) Military Members, as defined in the Party Plan. Representation shall be based on a percentage of the total number of Republican votes cast in each District in the last Presidential and Gubernatorial elections combined. Each District will be allowed one (1) Delegate vote for each two hundred fifty (250) votes cast, or a major fraction thereof. Each precinct shall be entitled to at least one (1) Delegate vote. Up to five (5) Delegates and five (5) Alternate Delegates may be elected for each Delegate Vote, but no Delegate shall have less than one-fifth (1/5) vote. As provided by Section H(3) of the Plan of Organization of the Republican Party of VA, each District/ Precinct delegation shall vote full vote at the County Convention. The Delegate votes shall be as follows:

<u>Magisterial/Supervisor District</u>	<u>Voting Strength</u>	<u>Max# Delegates</u>	<u>Max# Alternate Delegates</u>
#1 Tunstall & Southern Branch	12	60	60
#2 Quinton & Kentwood	12	60	60
#3 Watkins & Cumberland	10	50	50
#4 Prov Forge & Mountcastle	11	55	55
#5 Eltham & Chick River	10	50	50
Total	55	275	275

Mandatory Candidate Filing and Fee Requirements

Candidates for the position of Chairman must submit the attached Filing Form and fees by mail to NKCRC at P.O. Box 831, Quinton VA 23141 or in person to Fran Kennedy, Recording Secretary of the NKCRC, at 11323 Pinewild Drive, Providence Forge VA no later than **Friday, March 20th, 2020 at 7:00 PM**. Postmarks will not govern. Call Ms. Kennedy at 757-608-8146 to ensure she will be available. Said form is attached to this Call or may be obtained at www.NewKentRepublicans.org or <https://virginia.gop/event/new-kent-gop-convention/> and must be fully completed and signed by the candidate in order for that candidate to be deemed properly filed.

A filing fee of \$150 shall be required to run for Chairman of the Committee. Checks or money orders are to be made payable to the New Kent County Republican Committee and must accompany the attached pre-file form. Cash will not be accepted. Only those candidates for Chair who file both their pre-file form and filing fee no later than **Friday, March 20th, 2020 at 7:00 PM** will stand for election at the convention. Filing fees are non-refundable.

Candidates for Magisterial/Supervisor District Committee member or Delegate to the 1st District and/or State Conventions must submit the attached Filing Form and fees by mail to NKCRC at P.O. Box 831, Quinton VA 23141 or in person to Fran Kennedy, Recording Secretary of the NKCRC, at 11323 Pinewild

Drive, Providence Forge VA no later than **Friday, March 20th, 2020 at 7:00 PM**. Postmarks will not govern. Call Ms. Kennedy at 757-608-8146 to ensure she will be available. **Each candidate for Delegate to the New Kent County Republican Convention shall pay a filing fee of Five Dollars (\$5.00).**

Candidates for Delegate to the State Convention please note that the \$35 filing fee is voluntary. However, those candidates who do not pay the fee will only be allowed to participate in the Presidential Preference Poll. They will not be allowed to participate in any other voting, including voting for the RPV Chairman.

If the number of persons pre-filing as candidates for election at the Convention does not exceed the number to be elected or nominated for a particular office, once the appropriate Convention Committee determines that such persons meet the requirements of Article I of the State Party Plan, the Convention Chair shall declare them elected or nominated. No nominations for offices to be filled by the Convention may be made from the Floor except upon the vote of two-thirds (2/3) of those delegates present.

Filing to become a Delegate to the County Convention

All individuals who wish to be a delegate to the county convention must file an official Filing Form and fees by mail to NKCRC at P.O. Box 831, Quinton VA 23141 or in person to Fran Kennedy, Recording Secretary of NKCRC at 11323 Pinewild Drive, Providence Forge VA. Call Ms. Kennedy at 757-608-8146 to ensure she will be available. A filing fee of \$5 must accompany the filing form. All forms and fees must be received no later than **Friday March 20th, 2020 at 7:00 PM**. Postmarks will not govern. Each application must be accompanied by a check or money order from the applicant for the Total Fees calculated on the Filing Form. Grouping of Filing Forms with one payment will not be accepted. Filing fees are non-refundable. The Filing Form is attached or available at www.NewKentRepublicans.org or <https://virginia.gop/event/new-kent-gop-convention/>. Delegates to the Convention will be elected at Magisterial/Supervisor District Mass Meetings as described below under **Mass Meetings**.

Persons indicating on the filing form that they wish to be a candidate for Delegate at any of the Conventions are not obligated to attend said Convention.

NKCRC DISTRICT MASS MEETINGS

A 2020 Republican Mass Meeting for each of the five (5) New Kent County Magisterial Districts shall be held on **Thursday March 26th, 2020, if necessary**, at New Kent County High School, 7365 Egypt Rd., New Kent, VA beginning at approximately but not earlier than 7:00 PM or at its alternate site and/or time as determined by the NKCRC Chairman.

Mass Meeting Purpose:

To elect Delegates and Alternates as representatives of their respective Magisterial Districts to the 2020 New Kent County Republican Convention in accordance with the District delegate chart on page 3.

Mass Meeting Filing

All individuals who wish to be elected as a Delegate to the County Convention at the respective District Mass Meetings must file an official Filing Form and fees by mail to NKCRC at P.O. Box 831, Quinton VA 23141 or in person to Fran Kennedy, Recording Secretary of NKCRC at 11323 Pinewild Drive, Providence Forge VA. Call Ms. Kennedy at 757-608-8146 to ensure she will be available. A filing fee

of Five Dollars (\$5) must accompany the filing form. All filing forms and fees must be received no later than **Friday, March 20th, 2020 at 7:00 PM**. Postmarks will not govern. Each application must be accompanied by a separate check or money order from the applicant for the Total Fees calculated on the Filing Form. Grouping of applications with one payment will not be accepted. Filing fees are non-refundable. The filing form is attached to this call or available at www.NewKentRepublicans.org or <https://virginia.gov/event/new-kent-gop-convention/>.

Candidates for Delegate will be notified if a Mass Meeting is required for their respective Magisterial Districts. It is important for applicants to provide legible contact information on the Filing Form

Persons indicating on the filing form that they wish to be a candidate for Delegate at any of the Conventions are not obligated to attend said Convention.

Mass Meeting Registration:

Candidates for Delegate will be notified if a Mass Meeting is required for their respective Magisterial Districts. It is important for applicants to provide legible contact information on the Filing Form

Registration for the Mass Meetings will open at 5:30 PM. Doors shall close at 7:00 PM with registration continuing until all eligible persons inside are registered. No filing fee shall be required to participate in any Mass Meeting but a filing fee of Five Dollars (\$5) is required to become a Convention Delegate.

The Mass Meetings shall be called to order at 7:15 PM by the respective NKCRC District Chairmen appointed by the NKCRC Chairman.

Mass Meeting Elections

In the event the number of persons in a Magisterial District who pre-file as candidates for Delegate to the 2020 Convention is equal to or less than the total number of Delegates allowed from the Magisterial District, all candidates will be deemed to be elected and the Mass Meeting will not be held. No slating is allowed.

In the event the number of persons in a Magisterial District who pre-file as candidates for Delegate to the 2020 County Convention is more than the total number of Delegates allowed from the Magisterial District, the District Chair shall determine how Delegates will be elected. No slating is allowed.

The Chair appointed by the NKCRC Chairman of each District Mass Meeting shall deliver a listing of all Delegates elected, with their full legal name and registered voting address, to Mark Daniel, Unit Chairman, at 3301 New Kent Highway, Quinton VA 23141 by 1:00 PM on March 27th, 2020.

Applicants who are elected as Delegates to the 2020 County Convention will be notified at the District Mass Meetings or, in the event a District Mass Meeting is not required, by the NKCRC.