

# 2025 December

## Special School Board Election Timeline

### October

#### **October 10**

**Written Notice of December Special School Board Elections by Board of Education to Municipal Clerks and County Board of Election**

*(no less than 60 days prior to election)*

**N.J.S.A. 19:60-2**

#### **October 10 by 10:00 a.m.**

**Secretary of the Board of Education Forwards Certified Statement Designating the Public Question to be Voted Upon to County Clerk**

*(By 10 a.m., 60 days preceding a special school election)*

**N.J.S.A. 19:60-4**

#### **October 14**

**Publication of Notice of Mail-In Ballot Availability for December Special School Board Elections by County Clerks**

*(prior to the 55th day before election)*

**N.J.S.A. 19:63-6**

#### **October 19 - November 17**

**Publication of Notice of December Special School Board Elections by County Boards of Election**

*(once during the 30 days next preceding the voter registration deadline)*

**N.J.S.A. 19:12-7**

### November

#### **November 18**

**Voter Registration Deadline for December Special School Board Elections**

*(21 days before election)*

**N.J.S.A. 19:31-6**

#### **November 25**

**Deadline for Filing Challenger Appointments for Special School Election**

*(Third Tuesday preceding election)*

**N.J.S.A. 19:7-3**

#### **November 30 - December 6**

**Publication of Notice of December Special School Board Elections by County Boards of Election**

*(once during the calendar week prior to election)*

**N.J.S.A. 19:12-7**

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#### **December 2**

**Publication of Challenge and Complaint Procedures for December Special School Board Elections by County Boards of Election**

*(7 days before election)*

**N.J.S.A. 19:12-9**

#### **December 2**

**Deadline to apply for a Mail-In Ballot by Mail for December Special School Board Elections**

*(not less than 7 days prior to election)*

**N.J.S.A. 19:63-3**

#### **December 3**

**Mailing of Sample Ballots for December Special School Board Elections**

*(on or before 12 noon on Wednesday preceding election)*

*(Consistent with requirements prior to the implementation of early voting which does not apply to school elections)*

#### **December 4**

**Last Day for Testing of Electronic Scanning Equipment for Tabulation of Paper Ballots for December Special School Board Elections**

*(A county board of elections may begin opening the inner envelopes for each mail-in ballot and canvassing each mail-in ballot from the inner envelope no earlier than five days prior to the day of the election- December 9)*

*(notice to be given 48 hours prior to the start of testing)*

**N.J.S.A. 19:53A-8; 19:63-22 (b)**

#### **December 5**

**Deadline for Application to Receive December Special School Board Election Mail-In Ballots by Electronic Means for Qualified Overseas Civilian and Military Voters**

*(4th day before election)*

**N.J.S.A. 19:59-4**

#### **December 8 by 3:00 p.m.**

**Deadline for In-Person Mail-In Ballot Applications for December Special School Board Election**

*(up to 3:00 p.m. on the day before election)*

**N.J.S.A. 19:63-3**

#### **December 8**

**Publication of Challenge and Complaint Procedures for December Special School Board Elections by County Boards of Election**

*(1 day before election)*

**N.J.S.A. 19:12-9**

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### December 9

#### December Special School Board Elections

*(2nd Tuesday in December)*

N.J.S.A. 19:60-2

### December 9

#### Deadline for Post Office Receipt of Mail-In Ballots from the December Special School Board Election

### December 9

#### Deadline for in Person Submission of December Special School Board Election Mail-In Ballots to County Boards of Election or to Authorized Ballot Drop Boxes

*(by 8:00 p.m. on the day of election)*

N.J.S.A. 19:63-16; N.J.S.A. 19:63-16.1(a)

### December 11

#### Deadline for Receipt by County Boards of Elections of Mail-In Ballots by delivery of the United States Postal Service that DO NOT Bear a Postmark of Delivery

*(no later than 48 hours (2 days) after the time of the closing of the polls for the election)*

N.J.S.A. 19:63-22

### December 15

#### Deadline for Receipt of Timely Mailed Postmarked Mail-In Ballots to County Boards of Election

*(no later than 144 hours (6 days) after the time of the closing of the polls for the election)*

N.J.S.A. 19:63-22

### December 22

#### Deadline for Receipt of Cure Form to County Boards of Election

*(no later than 48 hours (2 days) prior to the final certification of the results of the election)*

N.J.S.A. 19:63-17

### December 24 – 12 p.m.

#### Meeting of County Board of Canvassers for December Special School Board Elections

*(15 days after the election)*

N.J.S.A. 19:19-1, N.J.S.A. 19:19-4, N.J.S.A. 19:19-6

### December 24 - 27

#### Deadline for Preparation of Emergency and Provisional Ballot Reports by Each County Board of Election for the December Special School Board Election

*(within 15 days after election or 3 days after the certification of the results of the election)*

N.J.S.A. 19:53B-21; N.J.S.A. 19:53C-21

### December 27

#### Deadline for Recount Applications for December Special School Board Elections

*(within 3 days after the certification of the results of the election)*

N.J.S.A. 19:28-1

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### January 2026

#### **January 10**

**Deadline for Filing of Election Contest Petitions for December Special School Board Election**

*(not later than 32 days after election)*

**N.J.S.A. 19:29-3**