

## Four Year Election Cycle

There are three types of elections: GENERAL, MUNICIPAL and PRIMARY

GENERAL elections are held in all even-numbered years on the Tuesday following the first Monday of November. These are for national and state offices.

MUNICIPAL elections are held in all odd-numbered years on the Tuesday following the first Monday of November. These are for county, local and judicial offices.

PRIMARY elections are held on the third Tuesday of May in all years, except in Presidential election years when they are held on the fourth Tuesday of April. These elections are held by political parties to nominate candidates for office and party officials.

### **2005, 2009, 2013, 2017...**

NATIONAL: None

STATE: Appellate Justices & Judges

COUNTY: District Attorney  
Sheriff  
Controller  
Prothonotary  
Recorder of Deeds  
Trial Judges: Common Pleas, Municipal, Magistrates  
Judges of Election  
Inspectors of Election

LOCAL: Boro Council and Township Supervisors, Tax collectors  
Auditors, Constables, School Board Members

PARTY: None

**2006, 2010, 2014, 2018...**

NATIONAL:

One United States Senator:  
(six year schedule in 2004, 2010, 2016, 2022...)  
United States Representatives

STATE:

Governor  
Lieutenant Governor  
State Senators (even numbered districts)  
State Representatives

LOCAL:

None

PARTY:

Democratic State and Local Committeepeople  
(elected in Primary election)  
Republican State and Local Committeepeople  
(elected in Primary election)

**2007, 2011, 2015, 2019...**

NATIONAL:

None

STATE:

Appellate Justices & Judges

COUNTY:

Commissioners  
Clerk of Courts  
Register of Wills  
Coroner  
Trial Judges: Common Pleas, Municipal and Magistrates

LOCAL

Boro Council and Township Supervisors, Tax collectors  
Auditors, Constables, School Board Members

PARTY:

None

**2008, 2012, 2016, 2020...**

NATIONAL: President and Vice President  
United States Senator  
(six year schedule in (2006, 2012, 2018...))  
United States Representatives

STATE: Attorney General  
Auditor General  
Treasurer  
State Senators (in odd numbered districts)  
State Representatives

LOCAL: None

PARTY: Delegates to National Convention  
(elected in Primary Election)  
Republican State Committeepeople  
(elected in Primary Election)

**Terms of Office of Elected Officials (in years)**

National Offices: President - 4; Vice President - 4; US Senate - 6; US Congress - 2

State Offices: Governor - 4; Lieutenant Governor - 4; Attorney General - 4; Auditor General - 4; Treasurer - 4; State Senate - 4; State House - 2; Appellate Justices and Judges - 10

County: Controller - 4; District Attorney - 4; Treasurer - 4; Clerk of Court - 4; Registrar of Wills - 4; Sheriff - 4; Coroner - 4; Prothonotary - 4; Recorder of Deeds - 4; Trial Judges Common Pleas Court - 10; Trial Judges Municipal Court - 6; Magistrates - 6; Judges of Elections - 4; Inspectors of Elections - 4

Local Offices: Mayors - 4; Boro Councils and Township Supervisors - 4; Auditor - 4; Tax Collector - 4

Party Offices: State Committee - 2; Party Committee - 4; Convention Delegates - serve only at National Convention.