



## Republican Caucus FAQ 2020

### **What is a caucus?**

A caucus is a meeting open to registered Republicans residing within a precinct (county-designated neighborhood). The purpose of the caucus is to elect delegates to attend various assemblies, to recommend party platform stances to the Republican Party, and to elect two precinct leaders to represent the precinct for the subsequent two years.

### **Who can attend a caucus?**

In order to participate in a Republican caucus, an individual must be registered Republican at least 22 days prior to the caucus and old enough to vote in the Primary Election. This year that date is February 14<sup>th</sup>. Caucuses are held every other year, usually in March. This year caucuses are March 7, 2020.

To check out your voter registration, visit:

<https://www.sos.state.co.us/voter/pages/pub/olvr/findVoterReg.xhtml>

In addition, guests are welcome to observe the caucus process. Just check in and receive a guest badge.

### **How can I find out where my caucus is?**

Caucus locations visit: <http://caucus.cologop.org/>

If you have any questions, call Headquarters at 303-277-1113.

### **When are caucuses this year (2020)?**

Republican caucuses will be Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, at 10 AM. There are 309 precincts in Jefferson County and many precincts will hold their caucuses at high schools, but check our Caucus Locator to find out exactly where your caucus will be held as locations change over the years. Generally, a caucus won't last more than 60-90 minutes.

### **Will I get to meet the candidates for my area when I am at caucus?**

As much as possible, candidates try to get around to the different caucus locations and meet people. This is easier for a House candidate with one caucus location. Countywide candidates often can only get to two or three locations during the 60-90 minutes window when people are in caucus.

### **What can I expect at caucus?**

When you enter your caucus location, you will enter your name and address into a computer so that your eligibility is verified. Once you are verified, you will make your way to the classroom or meeting room where your caucus will be held. The people checking in will be able to direct you.

In the caucus meeting, first an individual to chair the meeting will be selected. This may be someone who did it in the past or a brand-new person. It's best to have a chair that has attended the caucus training, sponsored by Jefferson County Republicans, but it is not required.

Neighbors will discuss the candidates, current issues, or how to get more Republicans elected. Together, the group will decide who will represent them (delegates/alternates) at County, State, and Congressional assemblies. There is a fee for each assembly:

State: \$70 delegate, \$60 alternate

County: \$25 delegate, \$25 alternate

Congressional 1, 2, and 7: It varies, but fees are typically \$5 to \$10 dollars each

Together, attendees will decide if they pay for their assembly fees individually or all participants pay a portion of the fees needed to represent them all at assembly. There will be time to talk about issues and campaigns, also.

At the conclusion of the caucus, a worksheet must be completed, reporting out who was elected to the various delegate and alternate positions and paying toward the cost of these assemblies. This worksheet is reported to Jeffco Republicans, where information will be verified and then made available to others that need the information.

### **What happens after caucus?**

If you were not selected as a delegate or alternate to an assembly, you are done.

If you were selected, as a delegate or alternate, Jeffco Republicans will be sending you emails with information about the County Assembly and providing your contact information to candidates who may want to speak with you. Especially county candidates, for whom the County Assembly delegates will be voting for, like to speak to delegates and alternates to request their vote.

Both State and Congressional Assembly leaders will be provided with your contact information if you are a delegate or alternate to those assemblies. They will contact you with information about Assembly and provide your contact information to candidate campaigns that request it.

At the respective assembly, you will vote on candidates that will be placed on the primary ballot for that position. In addition, you will hear from elected officials and candidates from other areas.

### **When is the Colorado Primary Election?**

June 30, 2020

### **If I still have questions, whom can I contact?**

Either call Jeffco Republicans at 303-277-1113 or email [Headquarters@jeffcorepublicans.com](mailto:Headquarters@jeffcorepublicans.com)