

# 2025 September

## Special School Board Election Timeline

### July

#### July 18

**Written Notice of September 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

#### July 18

**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

#### July 22

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

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

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

#### July 27 - August 25

**Publication of Notice of September 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

### August

#### August 26

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

*(21 days before election)*

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

### September

#### September 7 - September 13

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

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

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

#### September 9

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

*(7 days before election)*

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

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### September 9

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

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

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

### September 10

**Mailing of Sample Ballots for September 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)*

### September 11

**Last Day for Testing of Electronic Scanning Equipment for Tabulation of Paper Ballots for September 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-September 24)*

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

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

### September 12

**Deadline for Application to Receive September 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

### September 15 - by 3:00 p.m.

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

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

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

### September 15

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

*(1 day before election)*

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

### September 16

**September Special School Board Elections**

*(last Tuesday in September, unless changed by the Commissioner of Education when the date of the election coincides with a period of religious observance)*

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

### September 16

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

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### September 16

**Deadline for in Person Submission of September 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; NJSA 19:63-16.1e**

### September 18

**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**

### September 22

**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**

### September 29

**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**

## October

### October 1 – 12 p.m.

**Meeting of County Board of Canvassers for September 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**

### October 1 - 4

**Deadline for Preparation of Emergency and Provisional Ballot Reports by Each County Board of Election for the September 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**

### October 4

**Deadline for Recount Applications for September Special School Board Elections**

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

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

### October 18

**Deadline for Filing of Election Contest Petitions for September Special School Board Elections**

*(not later than 32 days after election)*

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