

Union County Board of Elections 2026 Election Deadlines

(Updated 1-13-2026)

Election	Berkeley Heights Special School Election	Westfield Annual School Board Election	2026 Primary Election	2026 General Election
Election Day Poll Open	March 10, 2026 6am - 8pm	April 21, 2026 7am - 8pm	June 2, 2026 6am - 8pm	November 3, 2026 6am - 8pm
Early Voting	N/A	N/A	May 26 - May 31, 2026	October 24 - November 1, 2026
Party Change Deadline	N/A	N/A	April 8, 2026	N/A
Drop Boxes Open	February 9, 2026	March 7, 2026	April 17, 2026	September 18, 2026
Close of Registration	February 17, 2026	March 31, 2026	May 12, 2026	October 13, 2026
Eday Challenger Deadline	February 17, 2026	March 31, 2026	May 12, 2026	October 13, 2026
Voting Machine Public Insp.	March 5, 2026 (8am - 9am)	4/16/2026 (8am - 9am)	May 21, 2026 (7am - 9am)	10/22/2026 (7am - 9am)
DS850 Public Insp.	March 6, 2026	4/17/2026 (10am)	May 22, 2026 (10am)	10/23/2026 (10am)
VBM Inspection Dates	March 2, 2026 (9am - 11am) March 9, 2026 (9am - 11am)	April 13, 2026 (9am - 11am) April 20, 2026 (9am - 11am)	May 11, 2026 (9am - 11am) May 18, 2026 (9am - 11am) May 21, 2026 (9am - 11am) June 1, 2026 (9am - 11am)	October 13, 2026 (9am - 11am) October 19, 2026 (9am - 11am) October 22, 2026 (9am - 11am) October 26, 2026 (9am - 11am) October 30, 2026 (9am - 11am) November 2, 2026 (9am - 11am)
EV Challenger Deadline	N/A	N/A	May 18, 2026	October 19, 2026
VBM Deadline: 48 hr without Postmark	March 12, 2026	April 23, 2026	June 4, 2026	November 5, 2026
Count Drop Box & 48 Hr VBMs	March 13, 2026	April 24, 2026	June 5, 2026	November 6, 2026
VBM Deadline: 6 Day	March 16, 2026	April 27, 2026	June 8, 2026	November 9, 2026
Count 6 Day VBMs & Provisional Ballots	March 17, 2026	April 28, 2026 (10:30)	June 10, 2026 (12:00pm)	November 10, 2026
Cure Deadline / Count Cures	March 23, 2026 at 12pm / Count Cures at 12:30pm	May 4, 2026 (Cure deadline: 12:00pm / Count cures: 12:30)	June 10, 2026 (12:00pm)	11/14/2026 (Cure Deadline: 12pm / Count Cures: 12:30pm)
Post Election Audit Batch Draw	N/A	N/A	N/A	November 15, 2026 (10am)
Post Election Audit	N/A	N/A	N/A	November 16, 2026 (10am)
Election Certification	March 25, 2026	May 6, 2026	N/A	November 18, 2026 (12pm)