

Tioga County Board of Elections

Annual Report 2018

Staff

Our Election staff consists of four full-time employees; two (2) full-time Commissioners, two (2) Deputy Commissioners, two (2) part-time Voting Machine Technicians and two (2) part-time Election Re-Canvassers. A new technician was brought onto the team and together they concentrated on school election ballots and machine training of the Election Inspectors for their annual required class according to New York State Election Law.

Elections

Throughout the year, the New York State Board of Elections scheduled Election Infrastructure Security and Cyber Security Trainings within the six regions of the state. Our staff and our county Information Technology representatives participated in the training held at the Floyd Maine Arena in Binghamton. The primary goal is to improve the security of elections infrastructure as soon as possible and establish a set of best practices that, with continual updates, supports elections infrastructure security into the future.

The June Federal Congressional Primary for the 23rd district was highly competitive with six Democratic Candidates. The State and Local Primary for the Governor and Lieutenant Governor hosted several Democratic Candidates with Attorney General Race also being in the Reform Party. A few districts in Owego saw the first Member of County Committee Primary in several decades amongst the Democrats in district 6, 13 and 17. The election year wrapped up with the General Election on November 6th in a contentious race within the 22nd Congressional District. We anticipated a higher turnout and were not disappointed.

Looking Ahead

This office anticipates facilitating a few school elections in May, the State/Local Primaries on the fourth Tuesday in June from here forward, extended days and hours for Early Voting of the November Election November 5, 2019 as well as heightened cyber security practices for all elections.

We look forward to 2019 being another successful year serving the needs of Tioga County voters, candidates and elected officials. The Board of Elections anticipates that the Strategic Goals for 2020 to start coming into compliance with the recently passed Elections Chapter Laws to include Early Voting as well as a transition to Electronic Poll Books and upgrading from the manual paper ballot and hand count of Absentee and Affidavit Ballots to a Central Count Voting System. We thank all residents for your continued support in the democracy of our county and the nation.

By the Numbers in 2018

Active Voters.....	30, 792
Inactive Voters.....	754
New Registrations Processed.....	1,824
In County Address Changes.....	969
Enrollment Changes.....	519
Name Changes.....	285
Registrations Cancelled.....	515

Affiliation

Democrat.....	8,094
Republican.....	13,730
Conservative.....	479
Working Families.....	108
Green.....	103
Libertarian.....	65
Independence.....	1,717
Women's Equality.....	9
Reform.....	1
Blank.....	6,486

Inspectors

Inspectors Trained.....	182
Classes Held.....	11

Mailcheck

Mailed Out.....	27,870
Returned.....	924

Absentees	Sent	Returned
Democratic Federal Primary.....	111	98
September Primary.....	261	155
General Election.....	1,058	975

Voter Turnout

Democratic Federal Primary.....	12%
Democratic State/Local Primary	23%
General Election.....	60%