



At every level (county, state and congressional) assembly and convention gatherings have different purposes. Assemblies are the bodies that designate Party candidates for primary elections. Conventions select delegates to the next level of Convention. Note that the National Convention delegate selection process is complicated, requiring explanation that is beyond of the scope of this single page document. Be aware that some National Convention delegates are selected at the State Convention and others at the Congressional District Convention. There is a caucus attendance requirement and a requirement to be a delegate to either the State or Congressional District Conventions to be a National Convention delegate.

Because assemblies and conventions have different purposes, they are separate events. However, at every level (county, state and congressional) they are frequently held at the same day and time. When they are held on the same day, the body responsible for recommending rules for the gathering recommends the order of events (assembly, convention and judicial district). The meeting delegation then approves or modifies the recommendation. In Denver, the Permanent Organization Committee recommends the order of events.

At every level the delegates to assemblies and conventions are frequently, but need not be, the same people.

### **CALENDAR**

- **Caucuses – March 6, 2012** (locations are posted on [www.denverdemocrats.org](http://www.denverdemocrats.org))
- **Candidate Declaration Deadline for National Convention Delegate:** March 15, 2012 (application on [www.coloradodems.org](http://www.coloradodems.org))
- **Denver County Assembly & Convention** – March 31, 2012 (Evie Garret Dennis School)
- **1<sup>st</sup> Congressional District Assembly** – April 11, 2012 (South High School)
- **Colorado Dems Assembly & Convention** – April 14, 2012 (Fairgrounds, Pueblo, CO)
- **Democratic Nation Convention** – week of September 3, 2012 (Charlotte, NC)
- **Colorado Primary** – June 26, 2012
- **General Election** – November 6, 2012