



***The 2012 Democratic National Convention
Charlotte, NC***

A Guide to Becoming a Delegate from New Jersey

Your Delegation At a Glance:

- **The New Jersey delegation will be comprised of 171 delegates and 13 alternates.**
- **Types of Delegates:**
 - District Level
 - Elected from 20 delegate districts created by combining 2 contiguous state legislative districts.
 - 102 delegates and 10 alternates.
 - At-Large Delegates
 - 34 delegates and 3 alternates.
 - Pledged Party Leaders and Elected Officials (PLEO's)
 - Individuals shall be eligible for the pledged Party Leader and Elected Official delegate positions according to the following priority: big city mayors, state legislative leaders, state legislators, and other state, county and local elected officials and party leaders.
 - 17 delegates.
 - Unpledged Party Leader and Elected Official Delegates
 - New Jersey's DNC Members and Congressional Delegation: 18 delegates.
 - Automatic by virtue of respective public or Party office as provided in Rule 8.A of the 2012 Delegate Selection Rules.

Application Process:

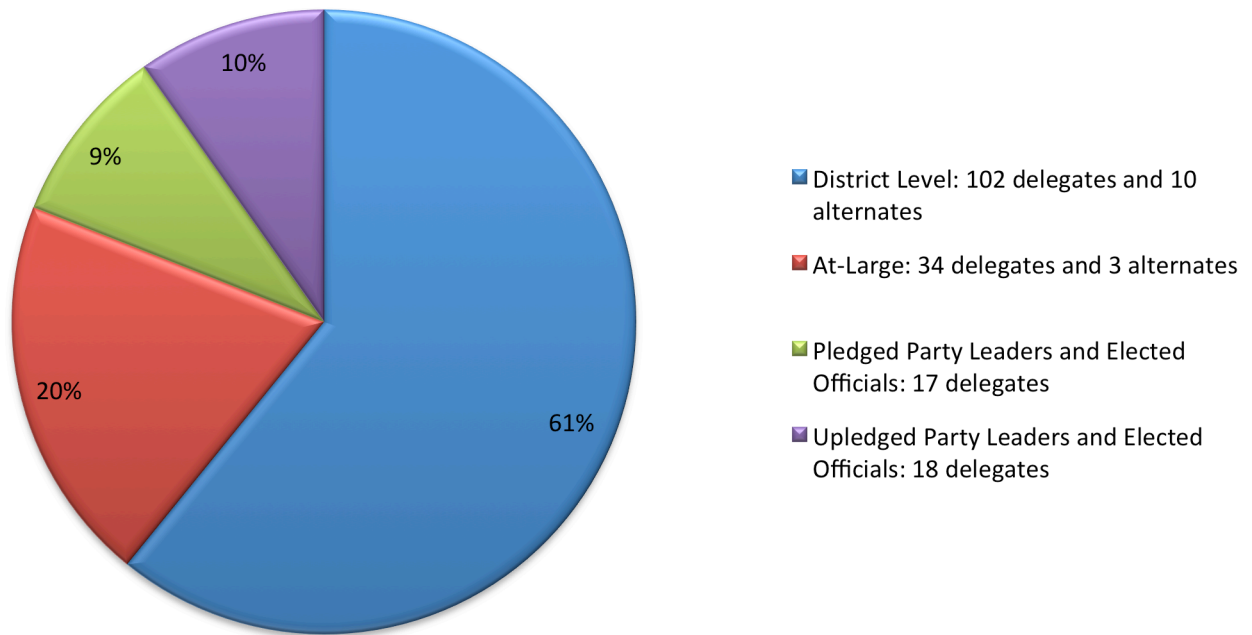
- **Statement of Candidacy and Pledge of Support Forms:**
 - Available from the NJDSC starting on January 3, 2012.
 - Forms can be obtained from the NJDSC headquarters in person, by mail, or on www.njdems.org.
 - HQ Address: 196 West State Street, Trenton, NJ 08608.
 - Forms must be returned to the NJDSC by the following dates:
 - March 19, 2012: District Level Delegate and Alternate candidates.
 - June 7, 2012: PLEO and At-Large Delegate and Alternate candidates.
- **Petition to the New Jersey Division of Elections:**
 - Applies to District Level Delegate and Alternate Candidates only.
 - Candidates selected by the presidential campaign must then complete the appropriate forms required by the Division of Elections to become eligible to appear on the primary ballot.
 - Petitions must be filed with the Division of Elections by 4:00 PM on April 9, 2012.
 - NJ Division of Elections Address: 225 West State Street, 5th Floor, Trenton, NJ 08608.
 - Selected candidates must submit a petition bearing the signatures of 100 valid persons eligible to participate in the Democratic primary from their delegate district.

Election Procedures

- District Level Delegates and Alternates:
 - Elected on the Presidential primary ballot on June 5, 2012.
 - New Jersey's total number of elected district level delegates will be evenly divided between men and women:
 - The delegation will be made up of 51 women and 51 men.
- At Large Delegates and Alternates and Pledged Party Leaders and Elected Officials (PLEO's):
 - Elected on June 16, 2012 at a meeting of the New Jersey Democratic State Committee.

For More Information: Please contact the Democratic State Committee: 609.392.3367 or delegateselection@njdems.org.

Breakdown of Delegates by Type: Total 171 delegates and 13 alternates



Timeline of Important Delegate Selection Dates

Date	Activity
January 3, 2012	Statement of Candidacy and Pledge of Support forms become available from the New Jersey Democratic State Committee.
March 19, 2012	Deadline for District Level Delegate and Alternate candidates to return Statement of Candidacy and Pledge of Support forms to the New Jersey Democratic State Committee.
April 9, 2012	Deadline for selected District Level Delegate and Alternate candidates to return petition with 100 valid signatures of persons from the delegate district eligible to participate in the Democratic primary to the New Jersey Division of Elections.
June 5, 2012	District Level Delegates and Alternates are elected on the presidential primary ballot.
June 7, 2012	Deadline for At-Large Delegate and Alternate candidates and Pledged Party Leader and Elected Official (PLEO) Delegate candidates to return Statement of Candidacy and Pledge of Support forms to the New Jersey Democratic State Committee.
June 16, 2012	At-Large Delegates and Alternates and PLEO's are elected at a convention by members of the New Jersey Democratic State Committee.