



Primary Election Update and Results

Governor

The results of Tuesday's primary tee up a General Election match up between Mike DeWine/John Husted and Richard Cordray/Betty Sutton. This will not be the first time DeWine and Cordray have gone head to head. In 2010 the two sparred for the position of Attorney General, which DeWine ultimately won. Their path to their party nomination saw Cordray beating out 3 Democrat opponents. DeWine was able to head off a challenge by the current Lt. Governor, Mary Taylor.

US Senate

Incumbent US Senator Sherrod Brown (D) now knows who will be challenging him for this seat in November. Jim Renacci was able to best Mike Gibbon in the Republican primary. Renacci was the candidate endorsed by President Trump.

Other Statewide Races

For Attorney General, Dave Yost (R) and Steve Dettelbach (D) were unchallenged in the primary and will face off in November.

Keith Faber (R) and Zach Space (D) will be their party's candidates for State Auditor.

Kathleen Clyde (D) and Frank LaRose (R) were unchallenged in their primaries and will face off in November to be the next Secretary of State.

In the race for State Treasurer, Robert Sprague (R) was able to best Sandra O'Brien in the primary and will next face Rob Richardson (D).

Ohio will be electing 2 Justices to the Ohio Supreme Court in November. While Supreme Court candidates run without party identification, parties do endorse in these races. Sitting Justice Mary DeGenaro was recently appointed by Governor Kasich and is endorsed by the Republicans. She will be challenged by Michael Donnelly. In the second race the Democrat endorsed candidate Melody Stewart will face off against Craig Baldwin, the Republican endorsed candidate.

Congress

All Ohio congressional seats are on the ballot this year. However, there were few competitively contested primaries.

District 12 – This seat is getting national attention, as Pat Tiberi (R) resigned this seat earlier in 2018 to take a position in the private sector. There were 7 Democrats running for the nomination and there were 10 Republicans seeking their party's nomination. The race on the Republican side was particularly contentious. Tiberi had endorsed Troy Balderson as his replacement, but Congressman Jim Jordan (R) and the "Freedom Caucus" put their support behind Melanie Leneghan. As this is a race to fill an open seat, an election between Danny O'Connor (D) and Balderson (R) will happen on August 7, 2018. This is expected to be one of the costliest special elections ever, as Democrats see an opportunity to turn the 12th Congressional District blue.

District 16 – With Jim Renacci running for US Senate, this left another open Congressional seat. Again, the Republican campaign garnered most of the attention with Christina Hagan and Anthony Gonzales both seeking the candidacy. On Tuesday, Gonzales (R) won and will face Susan Moran Palmer (D) in November.

Key State Legislative Races

Ohio House of Representatives

Many Republican House primaries received an influx of attention (and spending) as different candidates pledged support for one of two Representatives hoping to be the Speaker of the House in 2019. Representative (and Former House Speaker) Larry Householder (R) and Representative Ryan Smith (R) each fielded and supported candidates in several House districts.

Below are the targeted Republican districts, the candidate that prevailed on Tuesday, and the Speaker candidate they are **presumed** to support.

- District 6 – Jim Trakas (Householder)
- District 16 – Dave Greenspan (Smith)
- District 19 – Tim Barhorst (Householder)
- District 21 – Stu Harris (Householder)
- District 50 – Reggie Stoltzfus (Smith)
- District 51 – Sara Carruthers (Householder)
- District 61 – Jamie Callender (Householder)
- District 67 – Kris Jordan (Householder)
- District 72 – Larry Householder (Householder)
- District 80 – Jena Powell (Householder)
- District 81 – Jim Hoops (Smith)
- District 83 – Jon Cross (Householder)
- District 84 – Susan Manchester (uncommitted)
- District 87 – Riordan McClain (Smith) bested Steve Reinard (Householder) by 60 votes
- District 90 – Brian Baldrige (Householder)
- District 91 – Shane Wilkin (Householder)
- District 98 – Brett Hillyer (Householder) looks to have bested Shane Gunnoe (Smith) by 8 votes

On the Democrat side of House primaries, none created the headlines that the Republican House primaries did. However, the Democrats for the first time in many years, fielded a candidate in every one of the 99 districts. The House Democrats are counting on their voter enthusiasm in hopes of gaining seats in November.

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- District 51 – Incumbent Wes Retherford wasn't able to prevail this year. In a 3-way race, Sarah Carruthers bested the competition and will face Susan Vaughn in the General Election.

Ohio Senate

- District 11 – Two current House members faced off in a battle for a Senate seat in Lucas county. Here Teresa Fedor and Michael Ashford civilly challenged each other to be the Democrat nominee to replace Edna Brown (D). Ultimately, Fedor prevailed.

- District 23 – In a race that was neck and neck throughout the night, two current Democrat House members from Cleveland, Nickie Antonio and Martin Sweeney, went head to head to replace Mike Skindell in the Senate. Each racked up a series of key endorsements, but Sweeney had the endorsement of the Cuyahoga County Democrats. Antonio was able to come out victorious.
- District 25 – Minority Leader Kenny Yuko was challenged by current House member John Barnes. Yuko was able to retain his position as the Democrat candidate.

Ohio House of Representatives (All seats up for election)

District	Incumbent	Republican Candidate	Democrat Candidate
1	Scott Wiggam (R)	Scott Wiggam	Kevin Barnet
2	Mark Romanchuk (R)	Mark Romanchuk	Lane Winters
3	Theresa Gavarone (R)	Theresa Gavarone	Daniel Gordon
4	Robert Cupp (R)	Robert Cupp	
5	Tim Ginter (R)	Tim Ginter	John Dyce
6	Marlene Anielski (R)*	Jim Trakas	Phil Robinson
7	Tom Patton (R)	Tom Patton	Aziz Ahmad
8	Kent Smith (D)		Kent Smith
9	Janine Boyd (D)	Joe Miller	Janine Boyd
10	Bill Patmon (D)*		Terrence Upchurch
11	Stephanie Howse (D)	Shalira Taylor	Stephanie Howse
12	John Barnes, Jr. (D)*		Juanita Brent
13	Nickie Antonio (D)*	Jay Carson	Mike Skindell
14	Martin Sweeney (D)		Bride Rose Sweeney
15	Nicholas Celebrezze (D)		Nicholas Celebrezze
16	Dave Greenspan (R)	Dave Greenspan	Cassimir Svigelj
17	Adam Miller (D)	John Rush	Adam Miller
18	Kristin Boggs (D)	David Todd	Kristin Boggs (write-in) Erin Gibbons (write-in)
19	Anne Gonzales (R)*	Tim Barhorst	Mary Lightbody
20	Richard Brown (D)	Bobby Mitchell	Richard Brown
21	Mike Duffey (R)*	Stu Harris	Beth Liston
22	David Leland (D)	Doug Moody	David Leland
23	Laura Lanese (R)	Laura Lanese	Russell Harris
24	Jim Hughes (R)	Erik Yassenoff	Alison Russo
25	Bernadine Kent (D)	Debbie Staggs	Bernadine Kent
26	Hearcel Craig (D)	Shareeque Arife Sadiq	Erica Crawley
27	Tom Brinkman, Jr. (R)	Tom Brinkman, Jr.	Christine Fisher
28	Johnathon Dever (R)	Jonathon Dever	Jessica Miranda
29	Louis Blessing III (R)	Louis Blessing, III	Carrie Davis (write-in)
30	Bill Seitz (R)	Bill Seitz	Clayton Adams
31	Brigid Kelly (D)		Brigid Kelly
32	Catherine Ingram (D)	Marilyn Tunnat	Catherine Ingram
33	Alicia Reece (D)*	Judith Boyce (write-in)	Sedrick Denson
34	Emilia Sykes (D)	Josh Sines	Emilia Sykes
35	Tavia Galonski (D)	Osita Obierika	Tavia Galonski
36	Anthony DeVitis (R)	Anthony DeVitis	Tim Piatt
37	Kristina Roegner (R)*	Mike Rasor	Casey Weinstein
38	Marilyn Slaby (R)	Bill Roemer	Elliot Kolkovich
39	Fred Strahorn (D)		Fred Strahorn

40	Michael Henne (R)*	Phil Plummer	Ryan Taylor
41	Jim Butler (R)	Jim Butler	John McManus
42	Niraj Antani (R)	Niraj Antani	Zach Dickerson
43	Jeffrey Rezabek (R)	J. Todd Smith	Dan Foley
44	Michael Ashford (D)*	Kenneth Cousino	Paula Hicks-Hudson
45	Teresa Fedor (D)*	David Davenport	Lisa SobECKi
46	Michael Sheehy (D)		Michael Sheehy
47	Derek Merrin (R)	Derek Merrin	Gary Newnham
48	Kirk Schuring (R)*	Scott Oelslager	Lorraine Wilburn
49	Thomas West (D)	James Haavisto	Thomas West
50	Christina Hagan (R)	Reggie Stoltzfus	Cassie Gabelt
51	Wes Retherford (R)	Sara Proctor Carruthers	Susan Vaughn
52	George Lang (R)	George Lang	Kathy Wyenandt
53	Candice Keller (R)	Candice Keller	Rebecca Howard
54	Paul Zeltwanger (R)	Paul Zeltwanger	Nikki Foster
55	Nathan Manning (R)	Gayle Manning	Kelley Kraus Mencke
56	Daniel Ramos (D)*	Rob Weber	Joe Miller
57	Dick Stein (R)	Dick Stein	James Johnson
58	Michele Lepore-Hagan (D)	David Simon	Michele Lepore-Hagan
59	John Boccieri (D)	Don Manning	Eric Ungaro
60	John Rogers (D)		John Rogers
61	Ron Young (R)*	Jamie Callender	Rick Walker
62	Scott Lipps (R)	Scott Lipps	Jim Staton
63	Glenn Holmes (D)	Jim Hughes	Glenn Holmes
64	Michael O'Brien (D)	Martha Yoder	Michael O'Brien
65	John Becker (R)	John Becker	Patty Lawrence
66	Doug Green (R)	Doug Green	Jeff Richards
67	Andrew Brenner (R)*	Kris Jordan	Cory Hoffman
68	Rick Carfagna (R)	Rick Carfagna	Kathleen Tate
69	Steve Hambley (R)	Steve Hambley	Carol Brenstuhl
70	Darrell Kick (R)	Darrell Kick	Steve Johnson
71	Scott Ryan (R)	Scott Ryan	Jeremy Blake
72	Larry Householder (R)	Larry Householder	Tyler Shipley
73	Rick Perales (R)	Rick Perales	Kim McCarthy
74	Bill Dean (R)	Bill Dean	Anne Gorman
75	Kathleen Clyde (D)*	Jim Lutz	Randi Clites
76	Sarah LaTourette (R)	Sarah LaTourette	John Kennedy
77	Tim Schaffer (R)	Tim Schaffer	Brett Pransky
78	Ron Hood (R)	Ron Hood	Amber Daniels
79	Kyle Koehler (R)	Kyle Koehler	Amanda Finfrock
80	Stephen Huffman (R)	Jena Powell	Scott Zimmerman (write-in)
81	Jim Hoops (R)	Jim Hoops	Janet Breneman
82	Craig Riedel (R)	Craig Riedel	Aden Baker
83	Robert Sprague (R)	Jon Cross	Mary Harshfield (write-in)
84	Keith Faber (R)	Susan Manchester	Joseph Monbeck
85	Nino Vitale (R)	Nino Vitale	Garrett Baldwin
86	Dorothy Pelanda (R)	Tracy Richardson	Glenn Coble
87	Riordan McClain (R)	Riordan McClain	Mary Pierce-Broadwater
88	William Reineke, Jr. (R)	Bill Reineke	Rachel Crooks
89	Steven Arndt (R)	Steven Arndt	Joe Helle
90	Terry Johnson (R)*	Brian Baldrige	Adrienne Buckler
91	Cliff Rosenberger (R)*	Shane Wilkin	Justin Grimes

92	Gary Scherer (R)	Gary Scherer	Beth Workman
93	Ryan Smith (R)	Ryan Smith	James Rumley
94	Jay Edwards (R)	Jay Edwards	Taylor Sappington
95	Andy Thompson (R)*	Don Jones	Dan Milleson
96	Jack Cera (D)	Bob Mazerowski	Jack Cera
97	Brian Hill (R)	Brian Hill	Kristine Geis
98	Al Landis (R)*	Brett Hilyer	Jeremiah Johnson
99	John Patterson (D)	Michael Pircio	John Patterson

Ohio Senate (Only Odd Numbered Districts up for election)

District	Incumbent	Republican Candidates	Democrat Candidates
1	Rob McColley (R)	Rob McColley	Adam Papin
3	Kevin Bacon (R)*	Anne Gonzales	Tina Maharath
5	Bill Beagle (R)*	Steven Huffman	Paul Bradley
7	Steve Wilson (R)	Steve Wilson	Sara Bitter
9	Cecil Thomas (D)		Cecil Thomas
11	Edna Brown (D)*	Ernest McCarthy	Teresa Fedor
13	Gayle Manning (R)*	Nathan Manning	Sharon Sweda
15	Charleta Tavares (D)*	Jordan Garcea	Hearcel Craig
17	Bob Peterson (R)	Bob Peterson	Scott Dailey
19	Kris Jordan (R)*	Andrew Brenner	Louise Valentine
21	Sandra Williams (D)		Sandra Williams
23	Mike Skindell (D)*		Nickie Antonio
25	Kenny Yuko (D)	Bob Murphy	Kenny Yuko
27	Frank LaRose (R)*	Kristina Roegner	Adam VanHo
29	Scott Oelslager (R)*	Kirk Schuring	Lauren Friedman
31	Jay Hottinger (R)	Jay Hottinger	Melinda Miller
33	Joe Schiavoni (D)*	Michael Rulli	John Boccieri

* Representing term limited seats

** Only Republican and Democrat candidates listed