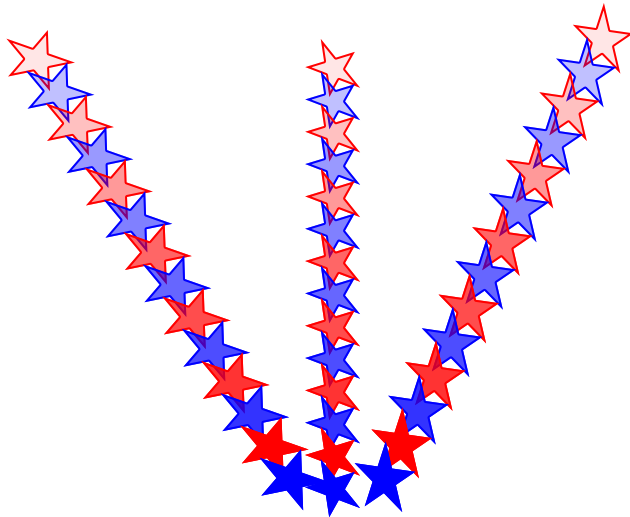


Historical Perspective

Caucuses are not new to Iowa. Some form of caucus has existed since the early 1800s, even before Iowa became a state in 1846. The shapers of the Iowa constitution chose caucuses rather than a primary to nominate candidates, preferring the grassroots approach. Since that time, caucuses have been held in Iowa on a regular basis, normally every two years.



The Iowa caucuses are democracy in action, often compared to town meetings in their political informality. The word caucus is a North American Indian word, thought to be of Algonquin origin, meaning a gathering of the ruling tribal chiefs. The modern definition describes caucuses as a process of political party members gathering to make policy decisions to select candidates.

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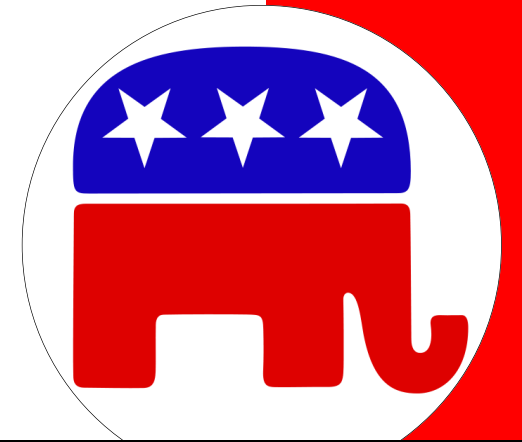
Contact Chairperson

Peter Rogers 641-485-4521

Or

Reed Riskedahl 641-753-5135

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Marshall County Republican Caucus Information

January 3, 2012

**Registration:
6:00 to 6:45
Caucus begins:
7:00 p.m.
See inside for
location**

How a Caucus works

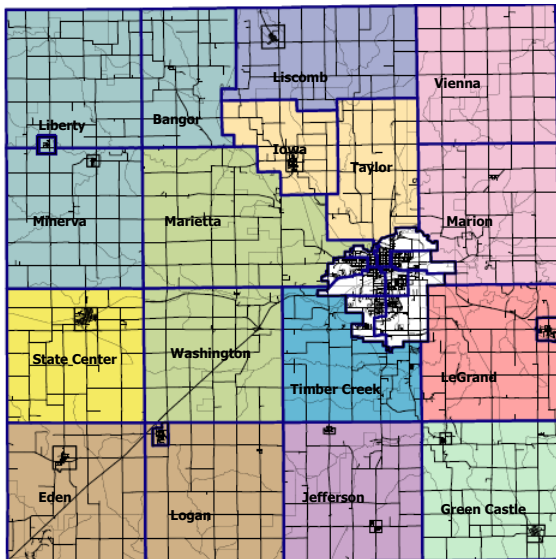
On caucus night, Marshall County Republicans will gather in designated schools or public buildings to elect delegates to the Marshall County conventions. The Republican presidential preference selection is done with a straw vote of those attending the caucuses.

Caucuses start in Iowa at 7:00 p.m. The polling will be conducted for the presidential preference early in the caucuses to accommodate the national radio and television networks for results to be available on the air during primetime.

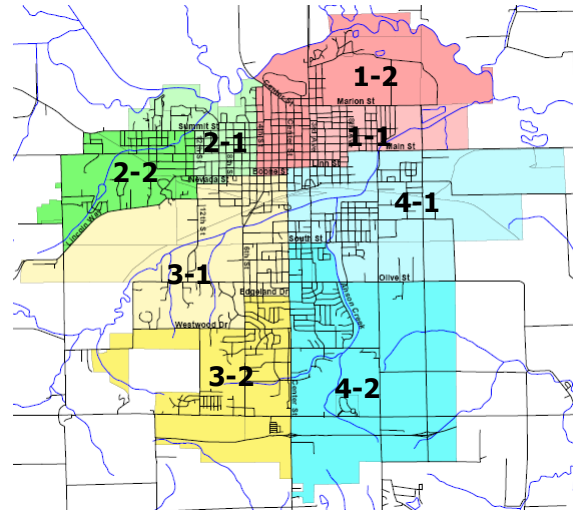
The results of this caucus activity are not binding on the elected delegates, but the delegates usually feel obligated to follow the wishes expressed by the caucus-goers. Thus the initial caucus results provide a good barometer of the composition of Iowa's national delegation.



Marshall County Election Precincts



Marshalltown Precincts



Where?

Where are the caucuses located?

Iowans gather by party preference in designated schools, public buildings or in private homes.

Marshalltown All precincts, **Timber Creek** Township and **LeGrand** Township meet at Marshalltown High School Roundhouse, 1601 S. 3rd Ave, Marshalltown.

Townships: **Bangor, Liberty and Minerva** meet at Clemons Lutheran School, 302 Bezin St, Clemons, **State Center** meets at West Marshall High School Library, 601 3rd St. N.W., State Center, **Eden and Logan** at Melbourne Rec center, 613 Main St, **Marietta and Washington** meet at Consumer's Energy, 2074 242nd St (corner of Hwys 330 and 30), **Liscomb** meets at Liscomb Community Center, 114 Main St, Liscomb, **Iowa and Taylor** meet at Fire Station, 100 S Main St, Albion, **Vienna and Marion** meet at Green Mountain Community building, 111 Wolston, **Green Castle** meets at East Marshall School, 225 S Elm St, Gilman, **Jefferson** meets at East Marshall School, 201 E Weissenberger, Laurel .



- Asking for nominees and electing the Marshall County Republican Central Committee.
- Asking for delegates to be nominated to the Marshall County Republican convention (normally held in March) and electing the same,
- Asking for Platform planks to be considered for the Marshall County Republican convention.
- Ask for volunteers to committees which will assist in preparation for the Marshall County Republican convention.

Once this is complete, participants may gather and Caucus results may be shared.

Caucus Q & A

Who can participate in the caucuses?

Any voter who is a registered Republican, or will register as a Republican and can prove residency in Iowa with a photo ID, can participate in the Marshall County Republican caucus.

How do I participate in the caucuses?

Come to your Caucus site early, with a picture ID, and register at the registration table. Once registered, you will be directed to a room, where Party leaders will inform you where your precinct will gather.

Once gathered with your fellow precinct residents, a temporary leader will begin the caucus and ask for nominations for a caucus leader. After a brief election of precinct caucus leader, this person will then take a poll of the participants for their support of each candidate. Once this is complete, this information is reported to the County Chair who will relay this information to the Iowa Republican Party. The leader will then conduct some business, such as: