

Tlingit & Haida Tribal Delegate Elections

Frequently Asked Questions

1. When is Elections?

Response: March 15, 2012

2. Where do I vote?

Response: In the community you are registered to.

3. How can I check if I am registered to vote?

Response: Contact your local Enrollment/Election official or contact Program Compliance office at (800) 344-1432 ext. 7959.

<http://www.ccthita.org/services/enrollment/forms/EnrollmentRequesttoChangeEnrollmentorVotingRecords.pdf>

4. Who is eligible to vote?

Response: CCTHITA tribal enrolled citizen 18 years of age and older as of 3/15/2012

5. Do I need to register to vote?

Response: No, your tribal enrollment automatically puts your name on the official voter registry.

6. How I enroll?

Response: Contact your local Enrollment/Election official or contact Program Compliance at (800) 344-1432 ext. 7359

7. Can I absentee vote?

Response: Yes, any tribal enrolled citizen eligible to vote can request an absentee ballot in writing.

8. Can I pick up ballots for others for absentee voting?

Response: No, only the individual can request his or her own ballot.

9. What about those who cannot make it to the polls, i.e. elders, or hospital?

Response: They can contact the local Election Official to have them bring a ballot to them.

10. How do I get nominated?

Response: Check your local posting of the nomination meeting date and bring your letter of intent to the meeting. <http://www.ccthita.org/government/elections/forms/DeclarationofIntenttoServe.pdf>

11. Do I need the letter of intent if I am in attendance at the nominating meeting?

Response: Yes, this helps retrieve your current information.

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12. Do I need to be at the meeting if I provide a letter of intent?

Response: No, you must provide the completed and signed Declaration of Intent to Serve.

13. When do nominations close?

Response: Check your local posting of the nomination timeframe.

14. Can I challenge the elections?

Response: Only candidates for delegate can challenge, check the election posting for the timeframe for challenges and the requirements to do so.

15. Can I vote for President and Vice Presidents?

Response: No, only elected delegates can vote for the President and Vice-Presidents.

16. Can I call in my nominations to Central Council?

Response: No, you need to provide the completed and signed Declaration of Intent to Serve.

17. When do the polls open and close

Response: Please check your local posting for election information as they vary.

18. When will the results be posted?

Response: The results are posted the next business day. The official posting will be the following Tuesday if no challenges are made.

19. How many people can we vote for?

Response: You are able to vote for up to the amount allocated for your community. Example, if you have 3 delegate positions, you can vote for 1, or 2, or 3 candidates.

20. Who do I contact within in my community for information on the delegate elections?

Response: CCTHITA has posted contact information on its website for the local election officials for each community: <http://www.ccthita.org/government/elections/contacts/index.html>

21. **What is the nomination process if I'm interested in running as a candidate for a delegate seat?**

Response: Nominations for delegates will be open on January 15 and close February 5. All interested persons will need to submit a "Declaration of Intent to Serve" form which can be found on our website here: <http://www.ccthita.org/government/elections/forms/index.html>.

All candidates for Delegate to Central Council:

- Must be registered on the Official Voting List of The Local Community.
- May not be a permanent employee of the Central Council, except as an Executive Officer.

22. **Can a permanent employee of CCTHITA be a candidate for delegate?**

Response: No, the employee may not have worked for CCTHITA within sixty (60) days of the date of the Delegate Election, except as an Executive Officer.

23. **Who do I contact to make sure my address is updated?**

Response: Contact your local enrollment coordinator and submit a "Request to Change Enrollment or Voting Records" form which can be found on the CCTHITA's website here: <http://www.ccthita.org/government/elections/forms/index.html>