



Dear Chairs,

We've got several important dates coming up that YOU need to know about. **This is not an email to skim**-- this is our roadmap for 2020 and if you're committed to ensuring our party has a strong foundation for 2020, and I need to know that you're going to help us organize around these important dates.

- **January 23:** Our next State Committee meeting is Thursday, January 23rd at 7:00 PM at the Worcester North High School Auditorium, 140 Harrington Way, Worcester, MA 01604. Refreshments are at 6:00 PM. This meeting is a great opportunity to stay involved with the party process and you will be able to learn more about the 2020 State Convention, the 2020 National Convention, and the 2020 elections.
 - **January 31:** Deadline for Chairs to call caucus and deadline for cities to request joint location waiver
 - **February 12:** Last day to register to vote or change party enrollment for presidential primary.
 - **February 15- March 22:** Caucus Window
 - **March 3:** Presidential Primary
 - **March 25:** State Convention [Add On application deadline](#)
 - **March 27:** District-level delegate and alternate deadline for filing the statement of candidacy and pledge of support forms with State Party. Candidates may obtain their statement of candidacy and pledge of support forms starting on **January 13th** at MassDems HQ or www.massdems.org.
 - **April 3- April 12:** Re-Organization Window for Town and Ward Committees
 - **April 3:** [Delegate fee payment deadline](#)
 - **April 4:** DSC Reorganization Meeting, CD-7 (election of add-on members and DSC officers)
 - **April 17:** Pledged PLEO and at-large delegate or alternate candidate
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- **April 25:** Caucuses for District Delegates to the 2020 National Convention
- **May 16:** DSC Meeting to elect DNC members, PLEO and At-Large Delegates to the 2020 National Convention, CD-3
- **May 30:** MassDems Convention, Tsongas Arena, Lowell
- **July 13-16:** National Convention, Milwaukee
- **August 8:** DSC Meeting, CD-6
- **August 12:** State Primary Election registration deadline
- **September 1:** State Primary
- **October 14:** General Election registration deadline
- **November 3:** General Election
- **November 12:** DSC Meeting, CD-5 (election of Chair)
- MassDems is hosting Democratic National Convention delegate selection trainings all across the Commonwealth! Here's the list of upcoming trainings: **Cambridge (1/9), Lynn (1/11), Newton (1/12), Salem (1/12), Quincy (1/14), Worcester (1/15), Boston (1/17), Pittsfield (1/18), Leominster (1/18), and Lowell (1/18).** [Share this tweet to get out the word.](#) For more details on these trainings, click [here](#).
- MassDems are taking the Democratic Campaign Institute on the road again! Everyone is welcome to attend, no matter their level of experience or skills – from those just becoming active to the most seasoned campaign leaders. Here's the list of upcoming trainings: **Leominster (1/18), Malden (1/25), Falmouth (1/26), Easthampton (2/1), Taunton (2/15), Salem (2/22), Brockton (2/29), Plymouth (3/7), Roxbury (3/21), and Newburyport (4/18).** To attend a DCI or promote a DCI training near you, click [here](#).

Finally, as we begin 2020, I wanted to take the time to highlight the top five things about Governor Baker and the MassGOP you might have missed this past year:

- As 2019 ended, reports from Boston.com & WBZ show that Baker has less than \$1 million in his war chest, while Karyn Polito has a campaign account holding more than \$700,000 than Baker.
 - In December, a [bombshell report](#) on the MBTA was released, highlighting in
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concerning detail the leadership failures, under Baker, that have created a poisonous culture at the MBTA. As the report clearly states, safety is not a priority and fear of blame or retribution prevents employees from raising serious safety concerns.

- In 2019, voters felt the effects of Baker's failing transportation system and our crumbling infrastructure. Their frustration was warranted, given the release of a [report](#) finding nearly 500 bridges in Massachusetts are "structurally deficient" and growing concern over the deteriorating Alewife parking garage.
- Under Governor Baker, investigations this year revealed not only that State Troopers were lying about their hours to get paid extra overtime salaries, but they were also "regularly ordered" to do so by their supervisors.
- In 2019, we saw the horrible effects of mismanagement of the RMV. Baker's leadership had been warned repeatedly that their aggressive efforts to reduce wait times sacrificed safety, but they refused to listen or change their approach.

If you'd like to read more about each of these topics, read this week's [Wednesday Wire](#), where we covered each of these areas in more depth.

Sincerely,

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