



Assembly of First Nations (AFN) Election 2023

Timeline for the Special Chiefs Assembly (SCA) and Elections

Tuesday, December 5, 2023 – Open Forum

According to the Special Chiefs Assembly (SCA) draft agenda, the “All Candidates Open Forum” will take place on December 5, 2023, at 5:30 PM EST.

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- The Chief Electoral Officer will announce the verification of each candidate’s campaign expenses and contributions to the Open Forum.
- Each candidate will have a maximum of 20 minutes to address the Open Forum.
- Once all candidates have addressed the Open Forum, the floor will be open for question and answer session, where questions can be directed to any or all candidates.
- The Open Forum is expected to conclude at approximately 9:00pm EST.

Wednesday, December 6, 2023 – Election Day

9:00am EST Polls open.

2:00pm EST Voter registration concludes; no further additions to the voters list will be permitted.

3:00pm EST Polls close.

3:30pm EST Chief Electoral Officer will announce the results to the General Assembly. If necessary, the announcement will include the times for the reopening and closing of the poll for the second ballot, along with any other required announcements.

As per the AFN Charter, “the winner of the election shall be that person who first gains a majority of sixty (60) percent of the votes of the representatives of Members who are registered at the Assembly.”

For more information about the electoral process and procedures, please contact Ron Laufer, Chief Electoral Officer, at 1-833-236-8683 or via email at elections2023@afn.ca.