

YOUTH PARTY ANNOUNCES ELECTION PRIMARIES

The Youth Party, a political party recently registered by the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC), is set to conduct its Primary Elections in preparation for the 2019 general elections.

The Party's National Organising Secretary, Mr. Olusegun Adeniyi, announced that in conformity with the INEC Guidelines on the conduct of party primaries, the Youth Party's National Executive Committee (NEC) has issued guidelines for the conduct of the Party's primaries.

Furthermore, the Schedule for the Party's Primary Elections is as follows:

1. Sale of Forms	20th August – 1st September, 2018
2. Screening	27th August – 3rd September, 2018
3. Appeals	27th August – 5th September, 2018
4. State House of Assembly Primaries	25th September, 2018
5. House of Reps. and Senate Primaries	26th September, 2018
6. Governorship Primaries	27th September, 2018
7. Presidential Primary	28th September, 2018

The Party has made Nomination and Expression of Interest Forms available at the National Secretariat and State Offices from August 20 – September 1, 2018. The following are the fees:

S/N	Position	Expression of Interest Form	Nomination Form
1.	President	N200,000.00	N2,000,000.00
2.	Governor	N100,000.00	N1,000,000.00
3.	Member, Senate	N80,000.00	N800,000.00
4.	Member, House of Representatives	N40,000.00	N400,000.00
5.	Member, State House of Assembly	N20,000.00	N200,000.00
6.	Member, FCT Area Council	N2,500.00	N25,000.00

The Youth Party primaries guideline and further information are available on the Party's website: www.youthpartyng.com.

Mr. Adeniyi further stated that the primaries will be conducted on the basis of One Member One Vote (OMOV); no delegates or super delegates. All party members are entitled to vote. Our Nomination Forms are affordable. Voting will be innovative and convenient as we are adopting electronic means: online and SMS. It will be secured, monitored by candidates and INEC, and secret as required by the law. The guidelines for the primaries are open and accessible for transparency. The members list/voters list for each constituency or elective position will be available to all aspirants without discrimination.

He maintained that the Party is committed to expanding the democratic space by providing a level playing field for all aspirants on its platform. He said anyone who aspires to contest in a free and fair primaries should join the Party at www.youthpartyng.com/join-movement/. Like wise, persons interested in voting for a candidate of their choice in a party primaries without fear or favour, are encouraged to join the Party. The Party preaches transparent political leadership and followership that frowns at money politics, bribery, violence, 'anyhowness', 'short termism', repression and corruption.