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## Georgia Library Association - Election Process Changes

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## **Georgia Library Association Election Process Changes**

Starting in 2020, the Georgia Library Association (GLA) will host two elections cycles. The first, which is held annually in September, will include the election of officers to the GLA Executive Board, Divisions, and Roundtables. The second cycle will occur in November and will include the election of interest group and caucus officers. The term of office for any officers elected in either of these election cycles will begin in January.

In addition to streamlining the elections process and moving the elections to an online platform where more GLA members may participate, one

of the goals of this change is to increase the opportunity for the election of emerging leaders to leadership roles. Candidates who are not elected to a position in the September election will be eligible to be considered for interest group or caucus leadership positions in the November election.



While the Nominations and Elections Committee will coordinate the identification of candidates for open positions on the Executive Board, the responsibility for nominating a slate of candidates for the divisions,

roundtables, caucuses, and interest groups will remain with each individual unit. These units will need to update their GLA Handbook entries to reflect this new election process.