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# 2012 E-Monitor: Florida Primary

Countdown to January 31, 2012

**January 25, 2012** 

The Florida Primary is a winner-take-all contest with the winner awarded all 50 delegates. Since Florida is a closed primary state, only registered Republicans will be able to vote in the primary.

With several, expensive media markets and a larger and more diverse population than any of the previous primary states, Florida is one of the most decisive states in this early stage of the primary campaign for president.



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# Florida Political Experts >>

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Political Science Department contacts and online elections guide

# University of South Florida >> (813) 974-4014

Communications and Marketing's News Department, which can guide to political experts

# University of Alabama >>

Faculty experts on Southern politics and general election issues

# **Primary News**

### Tampa Bay Times >>

The largest newspaper in the Tampa Bay area

### Miami Herald >>

The largest newspaper in South Florida, this publication leads the nation in Hispanic affairs coverage.

### **South Florida Sun Sentinel >>**

One of the largest newspapers in South Florida, which includes Miami, Fort Lauderdale, and Palm Beach.

# SayFie Review >>

Voted the top Florida political news site by Washington Post online readers

### **FLA Politics >>**

Selected by *Campaigns & Elections* as one of only ten state blogs that "every political insider should be reading right now," this is a daily digest of Florida political news and opinion.

# **About Florida and the Primary**

# **Huffington Post: Florida Becomes the Showdown State >>**

Tampa Bay Times: 5 Reasons Why Florida's Primary Matters More >>

# 2012 Florida Primary >>

Polls, candidate information, and news about the primary election in South Carolina

### POLITICO 2012 LIVE >>

In-the-weeds aggregator of New Hampshire Primary news, events, polls and analysis

# **P2012: Race for the White House >>**

2012 campaign information, including media contacts, interest groups involved, and analysis of the 2012 electorate. Curated by The George Washington University

U.S. Census Bureau: Quick Facts About Florida >>

# **Latest Polling**

Gallup >>
Politico >>
Race 4 2012 >>
Rasmussen Reports >>
RealClearPolitics >>
FiveThirtyEight Primary Projections >>

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