PRESS ADVISORY

Final details are now available for four gubernatorial primary debates.

The first two debates- one for Democrats, one for Republicans- will be held at Stockton University on May 9. One debate will be held at 6:30 pm, while the other is set for 8 pm. School officials will randomly decide which party goes first. Both debates will be one hour.

The debates will be held in the Campus Theatre, 101 Vera King Ferris Drive, Galloway Township, NJ. They are being broadcast live via Facebook Live and will be rebroadcast by NJTV. The debates are being sponsored by the William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy at Stockton University,

Two other hour-long debates are being sponsored by NJTV Public Media of NJ and NJ Spotlight.

Democrats will meet May 11 while the Republican debate will be held May 18. Both will be held at 8 pm at the Agnes Varris Studio, 2 Gateway Center, Newark.

The debates will be broadcast live by NJTV, NJ Spotlight, WNET and C-SPAN. The same group will rebroadcast the debates along with potentially WHYY public radio, WNYC public radio and WBGO public radio.

Under state law, all candidates who qualify for public matching funds must participate in at least two debates during each election. Candidates not seeking public funds who commit to raising and spending at least $430,000 also can participate.

This year’s Republican debates will include Lt. Governor Kimberly Guadagno and Assemblyman Jack Ciattarelli. The Democratic debates include former ambassador Phil Murphy, former US Treasury Department official Jim Johnson, Senator Raymond Lesniak, and Assemblyman John Wisniewski.

The primary election is June 6.

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