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Ohio 11th Congressional District Congresswoman Shontel Brown (D-OH), Journalist
and former East Cleveland mayor Eric Brewer, Ohio GOP Governor Mike DeWine, former Dayton mayor Nan Whaley, Author and venture captalist J.D. Vance, and
Democratic U.S. Rep Tim Ryan. A Democrat, Brown will face Brewer, a Republican, in November for the race for the congressional seat in Ohio's largely Black 11th congressional district, DeWine will face Democrat Nan Whaley for the gubernatorial election, and Vance, who is endorsed by former president Donald Trump, will face Democrat Tim Ryan in the race for the U.S. seat up for grabs due to the upcoming retirment of GOP Sen. Rob Portman

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CLEVELAND, Ohio- There were no major surprises as to the outcome of Ohio's primary election on Tues., May 3 with voters in Cuyahoga County, the state's second largest county behind Franklin County and a Democratic stronghold, turning out to vote at 18.5 percent, down from 19.5 percent in 2018 and 39.5 percent in 2014. According to unofficial results of the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections in Cleveland, Ohio, the breakdown of the closely watch races in Ohio, which has general national news as the midterm elections near, is as predicted. The results of key political races in Ohio, coupled with our critique, are as follows:

- U.S. Rep. Shontel Brown wins 11th congressional district rematch with former Ohio Sen. Nina Turner in the Democratic primary and will face Eric Brewer in November's general election, Brewer a controversial Cleveland journalist and former East Cleveland mayor who won the GOP primary (Turner came in second behind Brown via last year's special Democratic primary for the congressional seat and lost by less than 5,000 votes but Brown, a former county councilwoman and chair of the county Democratic party, took advantage of her incumbency status in this year's primary election, winning over Turner with 66 percent of the vote to Turner's 44 percent. Ohio's largely Black 11th congressional district includes the majority Black city of Cleveland and several of its eastern suburbs of Cuyahoga County, a 29 percent Black county).
- -GOP Governor Mike DeWine cruises to victory and former Dayton Nan Whaley beats former Cincinnati mayor John Cranley in Ohio's Democratic primary for governor

with Cuyahoga County Councilwoman Cheryl Stephens running for lieutenant governor on Whaley's ticket

- -Ex-president Donald Trump's endorsement catapults author and venture capitalist J.D. Vance to a victory in Ohio's Republican U.S Senate primary, with former Ohio treasurer Josh Mandel coming in second, (Mandel's race baiting politics against Black Lives Matter activists while on the campaign trail backfired and Mandel could not even win in Cuyahoga County where he resides, Guardians owner state Rep Matt Dolan winning the county and coming in third overall Tuesday night behind Vance and Mandel).
- Congressman Tim Ryan, who opted not to run for reelection to Congress following a loss of one of Ohio's 16 congressional seats following redistricting, wins Democratic nomination in Senate race to succeed the retiring Rob Portman

- Former Trump-aide Max Miller wins the Republican primary Ohio for an open congressional seat

A state that Trump won over Hillary Clinton in 2016 by eight points and over Joe Biden by roughly same margin in 2020 when he ousted him as president, Ohio remains a pivotal state for presidential elections, and has been considered a red state in recent years, at least by some measures.

And with the former president's endorsement the impetus for J.D. Vance upsetting former Ohio treasurer Josh Mandel to win the crowded U.S Senate race in Ohio, the state became even more of a battleground, Trump silencing critics to show that he still has political muster and that his endorsement still has meaning.

The general election is Tues, Nov. 8.

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