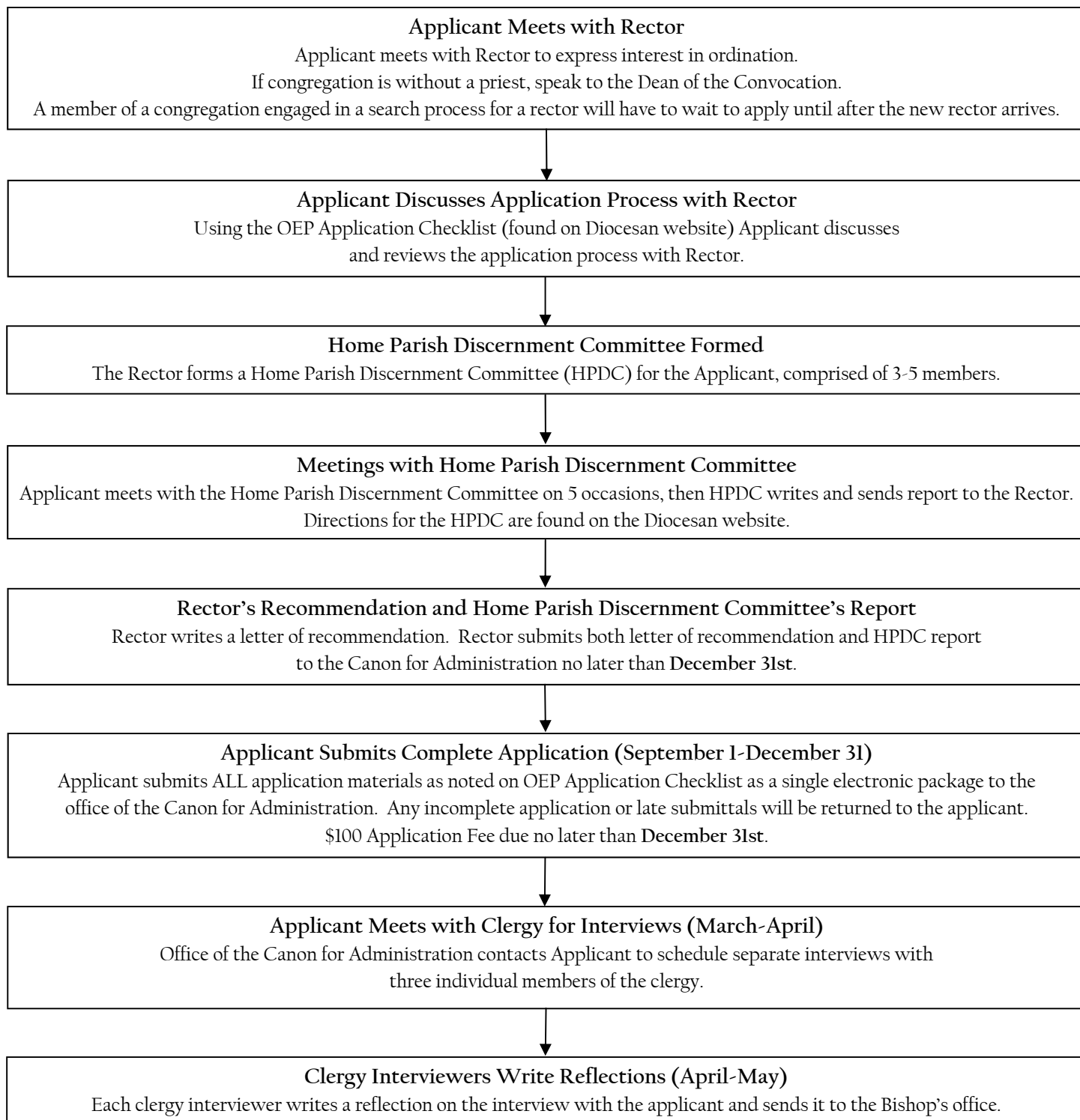


# Ordination Exploration Process for the Diaconate in the Diocese of Southern Virginia

**Applications accepted: September 1-December 31**

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*The expectation of the Bishop is that anyone entering the process for the Diaconate will attend The Deacons' School. The Deacons' School convenes about every 2 years and meets for 9 weekend retreats over a course of 25 months. The time frame and process listed below are subject to change in any given year. You may still apply yearly and, if accepted for postulancy, will join the next class when it begins.*



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