

# Brevard County

## VOTER GUIDE

### 2024-25

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# 2024 Election Schedule

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## 2024 Presidential Preference Primary

**February 20:** Book Closing - last day to register to vote or to change political party affiliation for the Presidential Preference Primary

**March 7 (by 5:00pm):** Last day to request to have a mail ballot sent to a voter

**March 9 - March 16:** Early Voting at 10 locations throughout Brevard

**March 19 - Election Day:** Polls are open 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and voted mail ballots must be received in the Supervisor of Elections office by 7:00 p.m.

*PLEASE NOTE: Since the Florida Democratic Party only provided one candidate nominee, that candidate will not appear on the March 19th Presidential Preference Primary ballot. Therefore, only registered Republicans have a race to vote on in the March 19th Presidential Preference Primary election. All voters regardless of party registration are eligible to vote for President/Vice President in the November Presidential General Election.*

## 2024 Primary Election

**July 22 :** Book Closing - last day to register to vote or to change political party affiliation for the Primary Election

**August 8 (by 5:00pm):** Last day to request to have a mail ballot sent to a voter

**Aug. 10 - Aug. 17:** Early Voting at 10 locations throughout Brevard

**August 20 - Election Day:** Polls are open 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and voted mail ballots must be received in the Supervisor of Elections office by 7:00 p.m.

## 2024 General Election

**October 7:** Book Closing - last day to register to vote or to change political party affiliation for the General Election

**Oct. 21 - Nov. 2:** Early Voting at 10 locations throughout Brevard

**October 24 (by 5:00pm):** Last day to request to have a mail ballot sent to a voter

**November 5 - Election Day:** Polls are open 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and voted mail ballots must be received in the Supervisor of Elections office by 7:00 p.m.

**Online Voter Registration - [VoteBrevard.gov](https://VoteBrevard.gov)**

# Voter Registration

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- ★ Voters must be registered at least 29 days before an election to be eligible to vote in that election.
- ★ Voter registration applications are available at the following:
  - VoteBrevard.gov
  - Supervisor of Elections 4 Administrative Offices
  - Tax Collector Offices
  - Public Libraries
  - Public Assistance Offices
  - Offices serving people with disabilities
  - Armed Forces Recruitment Offices
  - Centers for Independent Living
- ★ Florida is a closed primary state, only voters registered with a political party are eligible to vote in that party's Primary Election races.
  - Note: All registered voters, despite party affiliation, may vote in non-partisan races and universal primary contests where all candidates are from the same party.

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# Voter Requirements

- ★ United States citizen.
- ★ At least 18 years old but 16 or 17 year olds may "pre-register" to vote.
- ★ May not have a current court judgment of mental incapacity.
- ★ May not be a convicted felon *unless rights have been restored*.

**Florida Voter Registration Application Instructions and Form (DS-DE 39, R1S-2.040, F.A.C.) (eff. 04/24/2024)**

Información: Sírvase llamar a la oficina del Supervisor de Elecciones de su condado si le interesa obtener este formulario en español.

**How to Register**

- Complete and submit this form by mail or in person to:
  - Supervisor of Elections' office (mailing addresses are on back of form),
  - Any office that issues driver licenses,
  - Any voter registration agency (public assistance office, center for independent living, office serving persons with disabilities, public library, or armed forces recruitment office), or
  - The Division of Elections
- Register online: [RegisterToVoteFlorida.gov](https://RegisterToVoteFlorida.gov) (or QR code).

**Note:** If a third-party voter registration organization (3Pvro) collects your application, the 3Pvro must give you a receipt. The 3Pvro might not deliver your application within the 10 days or by the registration deadline. You can choose instead to mail or deliver your application to your Supervisor of Elections or register online.

**Voter Registration Requirements**

- U.S. citizen and resident of Florida and county
- At least 18 years old (or 16 for pre-registration)
- Not adjudicated mentally incapacitated, or if so, voting rights restored.
- Not be convicted of a felony, or if so, voting rights restored.
- Do not complete this form if you do not meet all of these requirements.**

**When to Register**

- Deadline to register is 29 days before an election.
- Deadline to change party is 29 days before a primary election.

**Registration Status**

- If application is accepted, your Supervisor will mail a voter information card.
- If your application is incomplete or denied, your Supervisor will contact you.
- Contact your Supervisor if you have any additional questions.

**Identification (ID) Requirements to Register or Update Record**

- A current and valid Florida driver license (FL DL#), or Florida ID card number (FL ID#), or last four digits of your Social Security number (SSN).
- Special requirements apply if registering by mail for the first time, never previously voted in Florida, and never issued a FL DL or ID card or SSN. You will be required to provide identification prior to voting.

**Florida has Closed Primaries/Political Party Affiliation**

- You must be registered with a political party to vote in that party's primary elections. However, in primary elections, all voters can vote on nonpartisan issues and for candidates in that partisan primary race if the candidates face no opposition in the general election.
- If registering for first time and you do not choose a party, you will be registered with no party affiliation (NPA). If you are already registered and do not choose a party, your party choice on record will remain the same.

**Public Record**

- Most voter information, including phone number and email address is public. Your signature may be viewed but not copied.
- The following is not public: FL DL#, FL ID#, SSN, where you registered to vote, and whether you declined to register or update your voter registration record at a voter registration agency or office that issues FL DL or FL ID cards.

**Resources**

- Supervisor phone numbers are on back of form.
- Division of Elections: <https://dos.fl.gov/elections/>
- Voter Assistance Hotline: 1.866.308.6739
- Voter Information Lookup visit: <https://registration.elections.myflorida.com/CheckVoterStatus>

Rows 1 – 6 and 15 must be completed for an application to be processed. Print plainly and clearly using a black or blue pen.

New registration     Update or change (e.g., address, name, party affiliation, signature)     Request to replace voter information card

1 Are you a citizen of the United States of America?  Yes  No

2  I affirm that I am not a convicted felon, or if I am, my right to vote has been restored.  
(For information on felon voting rights, visit Division of Elections' webpage - <https://dos.fl.gov/felon>)

3  I affirm that I have not been adjudicated mentally incapacitated with respect to voting or, if I have, my competency has been restored.

4 Date of birth (mm-dd-yyyy)    Florida Driver License or Identification Card Number (FL DL/ID)    Last 4 of SSN (if no FL DL/ID)     I have never been issued a FL DL/ID or SSN.

5 Last name    First name    Middle name    Suffix (Sr Jr I II)

6 Residential address where you live in FL (no P.O. box or business address)    Unit    City    County    Zip

7 Mailing address (if different from above or mail not deliverable at residence)    Unit    City    State or country    Zip

8 Address where last registered    Unit    City    State    Zip

9 Former name (if named has changed)    Gender  F  M    State/country of birth

10 Phone no. (optional)     Email me sample ballot if available in my county.    Email address:

11 Party affiliation (choose one) (See Florida has Closed Primaries/Political Party Affiliation above)  
 Florida Democratic Party     Republican Party of Florida     No party affiliation (NPA)     Minor party (print party):

12 Race/ethnicity (choose one)  
 American Indian/Alaskan Native     Asian/Pacific Islander     Black, not of Hispanic Origin     Hispanic     White, not of Hispanic Origin  
 Multi-Racial     Other:

13 Military/overseas status (choose one, if applicable)  
 I am an active-duty Uniformed Services or Merchant Marine member or  their spouse or dependent     I reside outside U.S. but am a U.S. citizen

14  I will need help voting.     I would like to be a poll worker or election worker    Official use only

15 I understand that it is a 3rd degree felony under state and federal laws to falsely swear or affirm or otherwise submit false information.  
**Oath:** I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will protect and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Florida, that I am qualified to register as an elector under the Constitution and laws of the State of Florida, and that all information provided in this application is true.

Signature: X    Date:    FVRS No.    3Pvro No.    Agent Initials    Date Collected

When completing the application, pay extra attention to the required fields, which must be completed for the registration to be valid.

The application must be signed or marked by the applicant; Power of Attorney cannot be accepted in place of the applicant's signature or mark.

# Update Your Voter Record

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- ★ It is important to keep your voter information up to date.
- ★ You may update your voter information at any time, but political party changes must be made by book closing, 29 days before the election, to be in effect for that election.
- ★ Name, signature, or political party changes must be submitted on a voter registration application, online, or a paper application.
- ★ Address updates may be submitted on a voter registration application, or by calling or emailing the Election Office.
- ★ You will need to provide your Florida Driver License or Florida ID card number, or the last four digits of your Social Security number for verification.

## Photo and Signature ID

When voting at the polls, you must present a current, valid ID with your photo and signature. You may present one or two forms of identification.

### Acceptable Photo ID for Florida Voters

- Florida Driver License
- Florida Identification Card
- Retirement Center ID
- Public Assistance ID
- Neighborhood Association ID
- License to carry a Concealed Weapon or Firearm
- US Passport
- Military ID
- Student ID
- Debit or Credit Card
- Veteran Health ID Card
- Government-Issued Employee ID Card

## 1 Vote-by-Mail Ballot

- Request your mail ballot by visiting [VoteBrevard.gov](http://VoteBrevard.gov) and clicking on the "Request Mail Ballot" icon on the home page.
- Mail ballots can also be requested by calling 321-633-2127.

You will need to provide:

- Your full name
- Date of birth
- Brevard County residential address
- Florida Driver License or Florida ID Card number or the last 4 digits of your Social Security Number



Your voted ballot should be signed and returned in the postage-paid return mail ballot envelope.

For voters wishing to drop off their voted mail ballots, Secure Ballot Intake Stations are available in the lobby of all 4 Supervisor of Elections administrative offices or at any of Brevard's 10 Early Voting sites.

Per Florida Law, voted mail ballots cannot be accepted at the polls on Election Day.

All mail ballot requests expired after the 2022 General Election as a result of a law passed by the Florida Legislature. New requests are valid for one general election cycle and if requested now are good through Dec. 31, 2024.

When a voter requests a mail ballot online, the identification entered is compared to the identification on file. If your record doesn't have a valid Florida Driver License number, Florida ID number, or last four digits of your Social Security number on file, you will need to provide that to our office for your request to be verified.

# Methods of Voting

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## 1 Mailing Dates



### Presidential Preference Primary - March 19, 2024

- February 2nd - Mass Mail of Military / Overseas (UOCAVA) Mail Ballots
- February 15th - Mass Mail of Domestic Mail Ballots
- March 7th by 5:00 p.m. - Last Day to Request a Mail Ballot to be Sent

### Primary Election - August 20, 2024

- July 5th - Mass Mail of Military / Overseas (UOCAVA) Mail Ballots
- July 18th - Mass Mail of Domestic Mail Ballots
- August 8th by 5:00 p.m. - Last Day to Request a Mail Ballot to be Sent

### General Election - November 5, 2024

- September 20th - Mass Mail of Military / Overseas (UOCAVA) Mail Ballots
- October 3rd - Mass Mail of Domestic Mail Ballots
- October 24th by 5:00 p.m. - Last Day to Request a Mail Ballot to be Sent

The deadline for a vote-by-mail ballot to be returned and received is no later than 7:00 p.m. on Election Day. The ballot must be received by the Supervisor of Elections in the county of registration.

\* A 10-day extension exists only for overseas voters for the Presidential Preference Primary and General Election only.

## 2 Early Voting

**Presidential Preference Primary:** March 9 - March 16

**Dates: Primary Election:** August 10 - August 17

**General Election:** October 21 - November 2

Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. / Saturday & Sunday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Voters wishing to Early Vote may do so at ANY Early Voting location.

### Locations

#### **Titusville Public Library**

2121 S. Hopkins Ave., Titusville

#### **Scotty Culp Municipal Complex**

565 Cassia Blvd., Satellite Beach

#### **Titusville Elections Office**

400 South St., Suite 1-F, Titusville

#### **Wickham Park Community Center**

2815 Leisure Way, Melbourne

#### **Kiwanis Island Park Gymnasium**

950 Kiwanis Island Park Rd., Merritt Island

#### **Max K. Rodes Park Community Center**

3410 Flanagan Ave., West Melbourne

#### **Dr. Joe Lee Smith Community Center**

##### **Gymnasium**

415 Stone St., Cocoa

#### **Tony Rosa Palm Bay Community Center**

1502 Port Malabar Blvd. NE, Palm Bay

#### **Ted Whitlock Community Center**

##### **at Fred Poppe Park**

370 Championship Cir. NW, Palm Bay

#### **Viera Regional Community Center**

2300 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Melbourne

### What is a Provisional Ballot?

If your eligibility to vote cannot be verified at the polls, you will be offered a provisional ballot. A provisional ballot is the exact same ballot but the voter's eligibility to vote that ballot must be verified by the Brevard County Canvassing Board. The verification process starts with you inserting your voted provisional ballot into the provisional ballot envelope and then filling out and signing the form on the outside of the envelope. Upon completion of the form, you will receive the provisional ballot stub containing the number that corresponds to your envelope. With your number, you may track your ballot through the provisional ballot process online at [VoteBrevard.gov](http://VoteBrevard.gov). The Canvassing Board reviews all provisional ballots for verification at a publicly noticed meeting. Verified provisional ballots are opened and tabulated after determination by the Canvassing Board.



## 3 Election Day

*You must vote  
in your precinct  
on Election Day!*

### Dates:

**Presidential Preference Primary:** March 19

**Primary Election:** August 20

**General Election:** November 5

**Polls are open 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Election Day**

- ★ Verify your registration status on [VoteBrevard.gov](http://VoteBrevard.gov) or by calling 321-290-VOTE (8683)
- ★ You are encouraged to bring your Sample Ballot to the polls for reference
- ★ Bring a current and valid form of identification from the acceptable list of IDs (listed on page 4)
- ★ No photography is permitted in the polling room or early voting area, except for an elector's own ballot [F.S. 102.031(5)]



# Properly Mark Your Ballot

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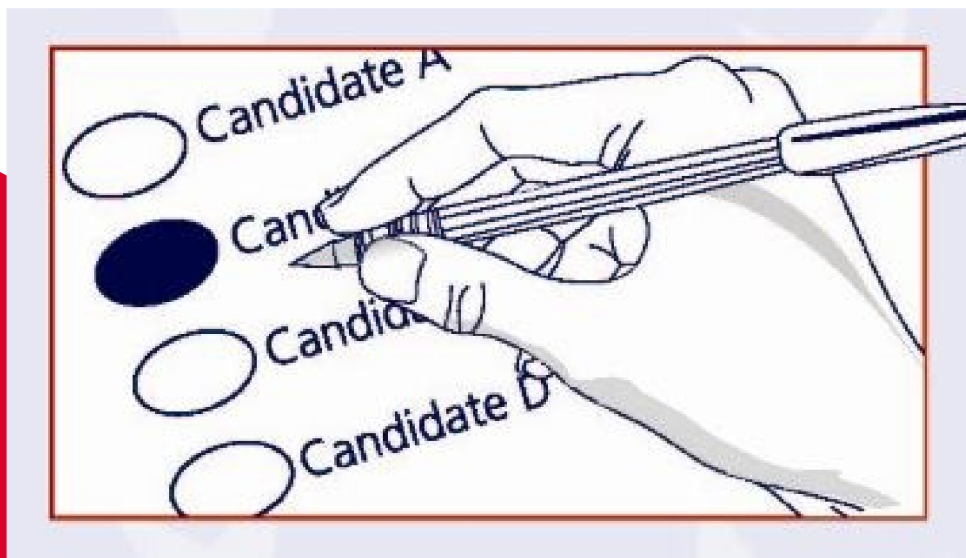
Read the voting instructions at the top of your ballot.

Use a black pen to carefully fill in the ovals next to your choices. *Do not circle the oval or the candidate's name instead of darkening the oval.*

Remember, your ballot may contain multiple pages and have races/topics on both sides.

It is okay to skip races.

Do not sign your name on the ballot.





# Frequently Asked Questions

## **What voting equipment is used?**

Election Systems & Software (ES&S) DS200 optical scanners (tabulators) and ExpressVote ADA ballot marking devices are at all Early Voting and Election Day polling sites. High-speed, central count scanners, DS950s, are used to tabulate mail ballots. All voters in Brevard vote using a paper ballot.

## **Do I have to vote in all the races?**

No. The ballot scanner will count your votes in all of the races that you marked.

## **What if I vote for too many candidates in a race?**

If you're voting in person, the tabulator will alert you that you have "overvoted" and allow you to request a new ballot or cast the ballot anyway. If you cast a ballot with an overvote (*in person or by mail*), all races except the overvoted race will be counted.

## **Can I change my ballot once it has been cast?**

No. Once your ballot has been scanned and accepted by the optical scanner or your mail ballot has been deposited in a secure ballot intake station or received in the Elections Office, it cannot be retrieved or changed.

## **If I requested a mail ballot, can I change my mind and vote in person?**

Yes. Please bring your mail ballot to the polls and you will be asked to surrender it and issued an Early Voting or precinct ballot when you check in.

## **How do I know if my ballot has been counted?**

If you vote by mail, you can track your ballot on [VoteBrevard.gov](http://VoteBrevard.gov) to see when your voted ballot has been received and counted. When you vote in person, the screen on the scanner indicates that your ballot has been accepted.

# **VOTER'S BILL OF RIGHTS (F.S. 101.031)**

Each registered voter in this state has the right to:

1. Vote and have his or her vote accurately counted.
2. Cast a vote if he or she is in line at the official closing of the polls in that county.
3. Ask for and receive assistance in voting.
4. Receive up to two replacement ballots if he or she makes a mistake prior to the ballot being cast.
5. An explanation if his or her registration or identity is in question.
6. If his or her registration or identity is in question, cast a provisional ballot.
7. Written instructions to use when voting, and, upon request, oral instructions in voting from election officers.
8. Vote free from coercion or intimidation by elections officers or any other person.
9. Vote on a voting system that is in working condition and that will allow votes to be accurately cast.

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# **VOTER RESPONSIBILITIES (F.S. 101.031)**

Each registered voter in this state should:

1. Familiarize himself or herself with the candidates and issues.
2. Maintain with the office of the Supervisor of Elections a current address.
3. Know the location of his or her polling place and its hours of operation.
4. Bring proper identification to the polling station.
5. Familiarize himself or herself with the operation of the voting equipment in his or her precinct.
6. Treat precinct workers with courtesy.
7. Respect the privacy of other voters.
8. Report any problems or violations of election laws to the Supervisor of Elections.
9. Ask questions, if needed.
10. Make sure that his or her completed ballot is correct before leaving the polling station.

## Visit **VoteBrevard.gov** for:

- Registration Status
- Requesting a Mail Ballot
- Early Voting Information
- Finding Your Precinct
- Current Election Information
- Sample Ballot
- Announced and Qualified Candidates for 2024 Election Cycle
- Election Results



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**Preserving accurate, transparent and fair elections is not only the goal of this office, it should be the goal of every American. Misinformation and disinformation campaigns threaten that foundation. Please verify information before reposting. Voters are encouraged to visit [VoteBrevard.gov](http://VoteBrevard.gov), call 321-290-VOTE (8683), or follow my Facebook and X accounts to verify information and to receive accurate updates.**

*Thank  
you!*



**(321) 290-VOTE (8683)**

**[www.VoteBrevard.gov](http://www.VoteBrevard.gov)**

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