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## PRIMARY ELECTION Tuesday, May 15, 2018

As a citizen of the United States of America you have the right to take part in the political process. Voting is a powerful way to influence your own future as well as the future of your children and loved ones who can't speak for themselves. Be a voter!

You are eligible to vote if you are:

1. A US Citizen
2. At least 18 or 17 turning 18 by Nov. 6
3. An Ex-Felon 2 years following completion of the entire sentence including probation/parole and incarceration (misdemeanors or time in jail do not make citizens ineligible to vote).

<b>Voter Registration</b>	
April 30	Deadline for voter registration by mail, online, at a community agency, library, DMV office, at a community event by deputy registrar.  <i>Online registration available through <a href="http://www.vote411.org">www.vote411.org</a> (must have NE drivers license or photo ID)</i>
May 4	6 pm is final <u>in-person</u> deadline for voter registration at both Douglas & Sarpy County Election Commission offices
<b>Voting during Primary Election</b>	
<b>You can vote in 1 of 3 ways:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Early by mail or drop box</li> <li>2. Early in person at Election Commission Office</li> <li>3. At polls on Election Day (May 15<sup>th</sup>)</li> </ol>	<b>Become an Educated Voter!</b> A few weeks before the election, use the LWV's non-partisan voters' guide for: a sample ballot, candidate information and answers to key questions. Find it at: <a href="http://www.vote411.org">www.vote411.org</a> at <a href="http://omahalwv.org">omahalwv.org</a> Also access videos of candidate forums at: <a href="http://www.omahalwv.org">www.omahalwv.org</a>
Now until May 4	Submit an Early Voting ballot application available through the quick link on the Election Commission website at <a href="https://bit.ly/2GYUefC">https://bit.ly/2GYUefC</a> or by calling their office. The application can be mailed in or you can take a picture and email it to <a href="mailto:earlyvoting@votedouglascounty.com">earlyvoting@votedouglascounty.com</a> or <a href="mailto:earlyvote@Sarpy.com">earlyvote@Sarpy.com</a>  <i>Instead of the application form you can use a plain piece of paper: write your name (printed), date of birth, address, phone number or email, and your signature, take photo &amp; email it as outlined above.</i>
April 9	First day ballots are mailed out
April 16-May 14	Early in-person voting in Douglas County Election Office: 8:30 to 5 Monday-Friday & on Saturday, May 12, 9am to 1 pm  Early in-person voting in Sarpy County Election Office: 8:00 to 4:45 Monday-Friday
May 15	Polls open from 8am to 8pm For polling location go to <a href="http://www.vote411.org">www.vote411.org</a> or call your Election Commission

## Q and A on Voting in Douglas & Sarpy Counties

### Can I vote in person early?

Yes, you can vote at your county's Election Commission office during their business hours 30 days prior to the election (April 16 to May 14<sup>th</sup>), but not on Election Day. On Election Day you must vote at your polling place.

### How do I request early voting by mail?

At least 2 weeks prior to the election (by May 4<sup>th</sup>), submit an Early Voting ballot application which is available at <https://bit.ly/2GYUefC>. It can be mailed in or you can take a picture and email it to [earlyvoting@votedouglascounty.com](mailto:earlyvoting@votedouglascounty.com) or [earlyvote@Sarpy.com](mailto:earlyvote@Sarpy.com)

Instead of the application form you can use a plain piece of paper: write date of election, print your name, date of birth, address, phone number or email and your signature, then take photo & email it as outlined above.

### When will I receive the ballot if I applied to vote early by mail?

The ballot will be mailed to you no more than 35 days prior to the election. Fill out your ballot and sign the back of the return envelope. Mail it back at least 5 days before Election Day with a regular postage stamp or deliver to an election drop box. Your ballot must be received by the Election Commission by 8 pm on Election Day.

### On Election Day how do I find my polling place?

You must go to your assigned polling place on Election Day between 8am and 8pm. If you do not know where this is, go online to [www.vote411.org](http://www.vote411.org) or [www.votercheck.necvr.ne.gov](http://www.votercheck.necvr.ne.gov) or call your Election Commission.

### What if I am registered at my parents address, but I am away at college?

If you are registered at your parent's home, you will need to request an early ballot to vote by mail. See above information on vote early by mail.

### What if I live in a shelter and want to vote?

You can register to vote with the address of the shelter where you live at this website: [www.vote411.org](http://www.vote411.org) or by mailing in a voter registration form by the deadline. You can vote in the 3 same ways as other voters which are outlined above.

### What if I am homeless and have no address?

You can register and use your Election Commission as your address. You will vote in person at the Election Commission office starting 30 days prior to the election (between April 16 to May 14<sup>th</sup>), but not on Election Day.

### What if I am in a County Jail and want to vote?

Register to vote with the address of the jail at this website: [www.vote411.org](http://www.vote411.org). You will then by requesting an early vote by mail application. Ex-felons can vote 2 years after completion of their sentence and probation.

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