

Absentee Voting

Any registered voter may vote by absentee ballot. Voters do not need to provide a reason in order to absentee vote.

Absentee ballots are available six weeks prior to the election.

To receive a ballot by mail, the voter must file a written application for an absentee ballot with the county auditor. The application may be a letter and must contain the voter's registration address and the election(s) for which a ballot is requested. The voter must personally sign the application.

The absentee ballot application must be notarized by a notary public or other officer authorized by state law to administer an oath.

If the application or request does not contain a notarized signature, the application or request must be accompanied by a copy of the voter's identification card. The requirement for the notarized signature or copy of voter's identification card is waived for Uniformed and Overseas Citizens.

Voters who vote absentee may also go to the auditor's office, complete a combined absentee ballot application/envelope, and vote in the office. If the voter applies in person, the voter must show the person in charge of the election the voter's identification card or complete a personal identification affidavit.

A voter who is confined because of sickness or disability may request an absentee ballot in writing, naming an authorized messenger who will deliver the ballot to the voter. No applications will be accepted after 3:00 p.m. on Election Day.

The voter must sign a statement on the absentee ballot envelope prior to returning the ballot. All voted ballots must be returned to the auditor in time to be delivered to the appropriate polling place prior to the closing of the polls.