



# CHECK YOUR VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS

Call 216-443-VOTE (8683) to check your voter registration status, voting location, ward, and precinct, or view a sample ballot at the Board of Elections website: [www.443vote.com](http://www.443vote.com).

## APRIL 9<sup>TH</sup> DEADLINE TO REGISTER TO VOTE

If you have moved, or changed your name since you last voted, you must complete a new registration to reflect your new address and/or your new name. Voter registration cards are available by calling 216-443-VOTE (8683), at public libraries, and on the Board of Elections website: [www.443vote.com](http://www.443vote.com). You may also register or update your registration on-line.

# MAY 8, 2018 PRIMARY ELECTION VOTER GUIDE



## VOTE ON ELECTION DAY

**Poll Hours:** The polls are open for voting from 6:30 a.m. until 7:30 p.m.

**BRING IDENTIFICATION** A current and valid Ohio driver's license or state identification, or a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document that shows your name and current address. A passport or notice from a board of elections is not a valid ID for voting purposes.



## VOTE BY MAIL

Ballot applications are available at:

- Public libraries
- [www.443vote.com](http://www.443vote.com)
- 216-443-VOTE (8683)

**DEADLINE** Ballot applications must be received by noon on Saturday, May 5th.

## EARLY VOTING HOURS

At the Board of Elections:

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| April 10th – April 27th | 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. |
| April 30th – May 4th    | 8 a.m. – 7 p.m. |
| May 5th (Saturday)      | 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. |
| May 6th (Sunday)        | 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. |
| May 7th                 | 8 a.m. – 2 p.m. |

## IMPORTANT ELECTION INFORMATION INSIDE

Learn about the three methods of voting, important dates and deadlines for voters, exactly what will be on the ballot and why it is important to vote in this election. There is also information about how to establish or change your political party affiliation.

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2925 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44115  
216-443-3200 Ohio Relay Service 711  
[www.443vote.com](http://www.443vote.com)

## BE A POLL WORKER

Help support democracy in the May 8th Primary Election by assisting voters.

Compensation: \$172.10

How to Apply: [www.443vote.com](http://www.443vote.com) or call 216-443-3277 to request an application.

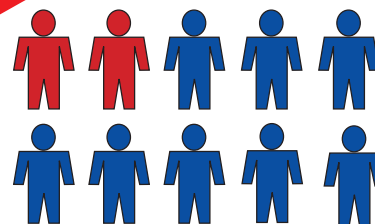


# ALL ELECTIONS ARE IMPORTANT: HERE'S WHY

Our elected leaders decide how much local, state and federal tax you pay and how it is spent. They create policies concerning just about all of the things that touch our lives: roads, bridges, schools, Medicare, Medicaid, parks, public transportation, the military, public assistance and immigration. We also elect judges and prosecutors who control our system of justice.

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In primary elections turnout is normally low, about 20%. Think of it like this: if this trend continues, two out of ten people will decide who advances to the 2018 General Election.

### YOUR VOTE MATTERS! STAND UP AND BE COUNTED

There is no good excuse for skipping the May 8, 2018 Primary Election. Voting by mail, voting early at the Board or on Election Day is easy and convenient.

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#### The May Election determines party affiliation.

Voters establish or change their political party affiliation when they vote in partisan primary elections. They have the option to become a nonpartisan (Independent) voter.

Voters select Democratic, Republican, Green party or "issues only" ballots. The type of ballot they vote will determine their political party. People who request an "issues only" ballot become nonpartisan voters.

Voters will have many important decisions to make from federal offices to state and local issues:

#### Statewide candidates:

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| Governor  | Secretary of State |
| Auditor   | Attorney General   |
| Treasurer | Supreme Court      |

#### Federal candidates:

US Senate and Congress

#### State representative:

Ohio House and Senate

#### County candidates:

County Executive and County Council  
County Judges

#### Party Officers:

State Central Committee  
Democrat only: County Central Committee

#### Issues:

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| State (Issue One: changes the method of establishing political voting boundaries) |           |
| County  | Municipal |
| School  | Libraries |

Sample ballots are available on the Board's website to allow people to study the candidates and issues prior to voting.