

Voting & Vote-By-Mail

Designating Someone to Pick-Up Your Ballot

You may authorize, in writing, another person to pick up your Vote-by-Mail ballot. The person picking up your ballot must provide photo ID, signed written authorization from you, and complete an affidavit signed by both. The affidavit can be printed from votesjc.gov.

Completing Your Vote-By-Mail Ballot Return Envelope

Important Information for Vote-By-Mail Voters

The signature or identifying “mark” on the voter’s certificate on the return Vote-by-Mail ballot envelope must match the signature or identifying “mark” on file in your voter record; therefore, it is important to keep your signature up to date. Signature updates must be on a Florida Voter Registration Application. The completed application can be mailed, faxed, e-mailed, or hand delivered to our office.

A *Power of Attorney* is not authorized for signing a voter’s certificate on a Vote-by-Mail ballot envelope or a Florida Voter Registration Application.

Returning Your Ballot to be Counted

In order to be counted, Vote-by-Mail ballots must be in the Supervisor of Elections office by 7 PM on Election Day. Voted Vote-by-Mail ballots **cannot** be turned in at the polls on Election Day.

Sample Ballots

You can request to receive your sample ballots by email. To make this request visit our website or contact our office. Otherwise, approximately three weeks prior to each election, sample ballots will be mailed to all registered voters who have not requested a Vote-by-Mail ballot or requested to receive their sample ballots by email.

Please be aware that the email address used to receive your sample ballot is public record.

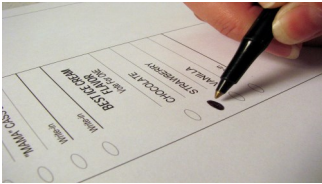
Voting Equipment & Tabulator

<u>DS300</u>	Digital scan tabulators used at each precinct and early voting location
<u>Express Vote</u>	Ballot marking device for persons with disabilities
<u>DS850</u>	High speed tabulator for Vote-by-Mail ballots

Voting Information

How to Mark a Ballot

To mark your ballot properly, completely fill in the oval to the left of each of your choices.



Voter Bill of Rights

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

Voter Responsibility

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

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Election Dates

Primary Election	August 18, 2026
General Election	November 3, 2026

Voter Registration & Party Change Deadlines

Primary Election	July 20, 2026
General Election	October 5, 2026

How may we serve you?
More information provided at www.votesjc.gov

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| ★ Election Dates | ★ District and Precinct Maps |
| ★ Early Voting | ★ Voter Registration Totals |
| ★ Vote-By-Mail Information | ★ Election Results |
| ★ Find your polling location | ★ Current Elected Officials |
| ★ Sample Ballots | ★ Candidate Contributions & Expenditures |
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Registration

Are you Registered

Find out if you're registered at votesjc.gov and look for the My Voter Status button. Not online? Visit or call our office Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 AM & 5:00 PM.

Who Can Register

If you are a U.S. citizen, a legal resident of the Florida county in which you wish to vote, and are at least 16 years of age you're eligible to register. Those who pre-register may vote in elections that are held on and after their 18th birthday. Persons may not vote if they are not a U.S. citizen, have been convicted of a felony without their rights restored, or declared mentally incapacitated with respect to voting.

How to Register

You can apply to register to vote year-round. However, the deadline for new registrations is 29 days prior to each election. The deadline to change party affiliation is 29 days prior to a primary election.

Online registration is available on our website and at RegisterToVoteFlorida.gov. Paper forms are available at the Supervisor of Elections Office, Florida Driver License offices, state agencies providing public assistance and serving persons with disabilities, public libraries, county governmental and armed forces recruitment offices. Applications can be turned in or mailed to the St. Johns Supervisor of Elections Office.

Updating Your Voter Record

Updates to your record, such as named, address or party affiliation may be submitted online or by using a Florida Voter Registration Application.

First-Time Voters who Register by Mail

If you have not been issued a Florida Driver License, a Florida ID card, or a Social Security Number, and you indicate this by checking "I have NONE of these numbers" on your registration application you're required to provide additional ID prior to voting a vote-by-mail ballot.

Florida is a Closed Primary Election State

You may only vote for candidates of the party in which you are registered in a primary election. This includes the presidential preference primary election held every four years. In a primary election, all registered voters, regardless of party affiliation, can vote on any issue, nonpartisan race, and race where a candidate faces no opposition in the General Election (known as a Universal Primary Contest).

Deadline to change party affiliation is 29 days before a primary election.

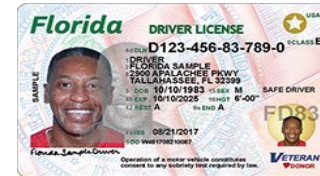
What to Expect

Acceptable Forms of Identification

You will be asked to present a current and valid photo and signature ID prior to voting.

Acceptable forms of ID include:

Florida Driver License
Florida ID card
US Passport
Debit/Credit card
Neighborhood Association ID
Veteran ID
Military ID
Student ID
Retirement Center ID
Public Assistance ID
Concealed Weapon or Firearm License
Government Employee ID



Keep your address updated on your voter record. A different address on your ID will not prevent you from voting.

Locate Your Polling Place

The name and address of your polling location appear on your voter information card. If you cannot locate your polling place call our office or visit our website to use Find my Polling Place. A new voter information card is mailed when any changes are made to your voter record or when your polling place and/or precinct has been changed.

Election Day Polls Open 7 AM to 7 PM

The Voting Process

You will be asked for a current and valid photo and signature ID. If your photo ID does not contain your signature, you will be required to show additional ID that provides your signature. Once your identity is established you will be asked to sign the electronic signature pad. When you have voted your ballot you may cast that ballot by placing it into the tabulation machine. If you need assistance in marking your ballot, please inform the poll worker. If you make a mistake when voting on a paper ballot, ask for a replacement. You may receive up to two replacements, or a total of three ballots.

Voting by Provisional Ballot

If your eligibility to vote cannot be determined, or you do not have the proper ID you will be allowed to vote by provisional ballot. This provision was implemented to allow you the opportunity to vote while your eligibility is researched. Regardless of the reason why you vote a provisional ballot, you will be given a written notice of your rights. You may check with the Elections Office after the election to see if your ballot was counted.

Early & Vote-By-Mail

Early Voting

Regardless of your assigned precinct, all St. Johns County voters may cast a ballot at any of the early voting locations.

Dates and times are available at votesjc.gov or 904-823-2238.

Vote-by-Mail

Vote-by-mail is for registered voters who will be absent from the county or do not wish to travel to their precinct on Election Day. The deadline for requesting a vote-by-mail ballot to be mailed is 5 PM on the 12th day prior to each election.

Request a vote-by-mail ballot in person, by telephone, fax, mail, or online. When a voter is requesting his or her own vote-by-mail ballot, the voter must provide the following information:

- Voter's name
- Voter's residence address
- Voter's Florida Driver License or ID Card or the last 4 digits of their SSN
- Voter's date of birth
- Ballot mailing address (written requests only)
- Voter's signature

Vote-by-mail ballots cannot be forwarded. A signed written request is required for a vote-by-mail ballot to be mailed to an address not in your voter record.

A vote-by-mail ballot may be requested by the voter's spouse, legal guardian, or by his or her immediate family. The requester must provide the following additional information or by any individual making the request to assist a disabled voter:

- Requester's name and address
- Requester's relationship to voter
- Requester's Florida Driver License or ID Card or the last 4 digits of their SSN
- Requester's signature (written requests only)

Election Workers

Many workers are needed to help conduct an election. Election days can sometimes be demanding, but it is a rewarding experience to assist Florida's citizens in the important process of casting their votes. If you are interested complete the Poll Worker application form on our website votesjc.gov today.