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Primary Election Day: August 28, 2018
 General Election Day: November 6, 2018
 Polls are open 7:00am - 7:00pm

**WHY SHOULD I VOTE?**

In the United States, it's your right to cast a ballot. Whether you are interested in school improvements, better roads, or lower taxes; whether your priority is immigration reform or loosening restrictions on small businesses; whether you're concerned about government accountability, environmental protection, or U.S. foreign policy, the ballot box is where you get to choose your city priorities, your state laws, and our federal policies.

ELECTION DEADLINES

Voter registration deadline for Primary: July 30, 2018
 Mailed absentee ballot application deadline for Primary: August 22, 2018
 Absentee ballot receipt deadline for Primary: August 28, 2018
 Voter registration deadline for General: Oct. 9, 2018
 Mailed absentee ballot application deadline for General: Oct. 21, 2018
 Absentee ballot receipt deadline for General: Nov. 6, 2018

HOW TO VOTE

To find out if you are eligible to vote in Florida, for information on how to register to vote, to find your polling place, and to access online forms, please visit the Secretary of State's website at <http://dos.myflorida.com/elections/> or call the Division of Elections' Voter Assistance Hotline at 1-866-308-6739.

DO I NEED AN ID TO VOTE?

Florida state law requires that all voters present a current and valid photo ID. Acceptable forms of identification include the following:

- Florida driver license;
- Florida identification card issued by the DMV;
- United States passport;
- Debit or credit card;
- Military identification;
- Student identification;
- Retirement center identification;
- Neighborhood association identification;
- Public assistance identification;
- Veteran health identification card issued by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs;
- A license to carry a concealed weapon or firearm; or
- Employee identification card issued by any branch, department, agency, or entity of the Federal Government, the state, a county, or a municipality.

Please note that if your photo ID does not contain your signature, you will be required to provide additional identification that contains your signature. If you are unable to produce a photo ID at the time of casting your ballot, you can still cast a provisional ballot.

EARLY VOTING

It is mandatory for early voting to be offered for a minimum of eight days across the state, and that period may be extended in each county at the discretion of its Supervisor of Elections. State-wide early voting for the Primary Election takes place August 18 - August 25, 2018, and early voting for the General Election takes place October 27 - November 3, 2018. Please visit the Secretary of State's website for more information: <https://bit.ly/1TTAed7>.

ABSENTEE VOTING

If you are unable to make it to the polls on election day, you are allowed to cast your vote by mail. Florida residents are able to request a vote-by-mail ballot by contacting their county supervisors at <https://bit.ly/1hCfDuO>. The deadline to request a vote-by-mail ballot be mailed to you is no later than 5 p.m. on the 6th day before the election. Vote-by-mail ballots may be picked up until, and including on, Election Day, and must be received no later than 7 p.m. on Election Day in order to be counted. You can learn more here: <https://bit.ly/2qF6szR>.

RESOURCES For more information on voting in your state please visit www.aaiusa.org/florida.