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Primary Election Day: March 10, 2020
 General Election Day: November 3, 2020
 Polls are open 6:30am - 7:30pm

**WHY SHOULD I VOTE?**

Here 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

Election	Voter Registration	Mailed Absentee Ballot Request	Mailed Absentee Ballot Receipt
Primary	Feb. 10, 2020	March 7, 2020*	March 9, 2020**
General	Oct. 5, 2020	Oct. 29, 2019*	Nov. 2, 2020**

*By 12:00pm; a postmark is insufficient

**If mailed, must be postmarked by this date

HOW TO VOTE

Voters can learn about their eligibility to vote in Ohio, how to register to vote, how to find their polling location, and how to access online forms by contacting the Ohio Secretary of State at www.myohiovote.com or calling 1-877-767-6446.

VOTER IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Ohio law requires voters to announce their full name, current address, and provide proof of identity upon arrival at their polling location.

Acceptable forms of ID include:

- A valid Ohio driver's license or state ID card
- Military identification; photo ID issued by the federal government or state of Ohio that displays the voter's name and current address
- An original copy of a current* utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or government document.

*Current is defined as within the last 12 months and must include the voter's name and current address.

To learn more about identification requirements, visit: <https://bit.ly/2XWFmDq>

IN-PERSON EARLY VOTING

Ohio allows its residents to cast their absentee ballots in person ahead of election day. Early voting begins the day after voter registration closes, and ends at 2:00pm the day before the election.

Please note that early voting locations are often different from election day polling places. To find an early voting polling place, voters can contact their county board of elections: <https://bit.ly/2hzNwxT>

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MAILED ABSENTEE VOTING

Voters who are unable to make it to the polls on election day can apply to vote by mail. Applications must be received by 12:00pm three days before the election. Voters can drop off their application at a county board of elections office, or mail it back, but please note a postmark is insufficient for applications received by mail after this deadline. Contact information for county boards of election is available here: <https://bit.ly/2hzNwxT>

Application for absentee ballots can be picked up at a county board of elections office, the Secretary of State's office, or online.

Once an absentee ballot is completed, it must be submitted to the voter's county board of elections office. If mailed, absentee ballots must be postmarked no later than the day before the election, and must be received by the office no later than 10 days after the election. If submitted in person, absentee ballots must be received by the county board of elections no later than 7:30pm on election day.

Absentee ballot applications and more information about absentee voting are available online:

<https://bit.ly/2J9AT91>

RESOURCES

For more information on voting in Ohio, please call our Yalla Vote Hotline at 1-844-YALLA-US (1-844-925-5287). Voter support is available in both English and Arabic, year-round.

