

ARAB AMERICAN INSTITUTE

Primary Election: May 22, 2018

General Election: 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: April 23, 2018

Mailed absentee ballot application deadline for Primary: May 11, 2018

Absentee ballot receipt deadline for Primary: May 22, 2018

Voter registration deadline for General: Oct. 9, 2018

Mailed absentee ballot application deadline for General: Oct. 26, 2018

Absentee ballot receipt deadline for General: Nov. 6, 2018

HOW TO VOTE

To find out if you are eligible to vote in Texas, for information on how to register to vote, to find your polling place, and to access online forms please visit the Texas Secretary of State's website at www.votetexas.gov or call 1.800.252.VOTE (8683).

DO I NEED AN ID TO VOTE?

Texas voters are now required* to present an approved form of photo identification in order to vote in all Texas elections. All forms of ID must be current OR may have expired no more than 4 years before being presented at the polling place. Acceptable forms of identification are as follows:

- Texas driver license issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS)
- Texas Election Identification Certificate issued by DPS
- Texas Personal Identification Card issued by DPS
- Texas Handgun License issued by DPS
- United States Military Identification Card containing the person's photograph
- United States Citizenship Certificate containing the person's photograph
- United States Passport (book or card)

*Voters who cannot present an acceptable form of identification still have options. To learn more about voter identification and available alternatives, please visit <https://bit.ly/2h9bUqS>.

EARLY VOTING

Texas allows any voter to participate in in-person early voting. Early voting locations will vary by county, and it is recommended you contact your County Elections Office to determine your early voting location. Contact information for each County Elections Office can be found here: <https://bit.ly/2HpTZLO>. You can also identify your early voting location by logging into Texas' online voter registration system: <https://bit.ly/1M1zo6f>.

In-person early voting for the May 22, 2018 primary election is available from May 14 through May 18. In-person early voting for the Nov. 6, 2018 general election is available from Oct. 22 through Nov. 2. For more information on early voting, please visit: <https://bit.ly/2HwtTmm>.

ABSENTEE VOTING

Eligible Texan voters may request an absentee ballot by mail if they are unable to make it to the polls on election day. To request an absentee ballot application, contact your local County Elections Office, or submit an online request here: <https://bit.ly/1MFXC6H>. You may also download an application and mail it to your County Elections Office: <https://bit.ly/2Hlk2n9>.

Your absentee ballot application must be received (not postmarked) by May 11 and Oct. 26 for the primary and general elections, respectively. Completed absentee ballots must be received by 7:00pm on the applicable election day. To learn more, please visit: <https://bit.ly/1oWhiuh>.