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2020 Primary Election Update

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Ohio Primary Extended through April 28, 2020

Ohio's Primary Election was scheduled to be held on March 17, 2020. Due to the outbreak of the coronavirus, Ohio Department of Health Director, Dr. Amy Acton issued an order during the evening of March 16th to close the polls as a health emergency. However, on March 17th some polling locations opened in the morning of March 17.

As a result of the last-minute order to close the polls, the Ohio Legislature has moved the Ohio Primary Election to April 28, 2020. Any ballots submitted by mail or in-person before March 17 will be counted as part of the April 28th Primary Election.

Due to most Ohioans being advised to stay at home, there will only be in-person voting on April 28th. In-person voting will only be available at Board of Elections early voting centers, not at precinct polling locations. And in-person voting is only available to individuals with disabilities who require in-person voting and those who do not have a home mailing address. **All other voters are required to vote by mail. Ballots postmarked by April 27, 2020 will be counted.**

You can request an absentee ballot from your county Board of Elections. A directory of county Boards of election can be found here: <https://www.sos.state.oh.us/elections/elections-officials/county-boards-of-elections-directory/#gref>

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