

# ***Election 2020: Register and Ways to Submit your Vote FAQ***

## *Am I registered to vote?*

- **October 5, 2020**, is the voter registration deadline for the November 2020 election
- If you are not sure about your Voter Registration status you can check to see if you are a registered to vote in the 2020 election on line at: <https://iwillvote.com/?state=oh>
- OR contact the Knox County Board of Elections at (740) 393-6716
- For more information, go to <https://www.ohiosos.gov/elections/voters/register/#deadline>

## *How do I register to vote?*

- You can register to Vote in Ohio or update your voter registration address online at <https://olvr.ohiosos.gov/>
- To register online you will need to provide the following:
  - ❏ Ohio driver's license or Ohio identification card number (available from the Department of Motor Vehicles).
  - ❏ Name
  - ❏ Date of Birth
  - ❏ Address
  - ❏ Last four digits of your Social Security number
- Once you complete this form, you must sign and send it to the BOE below:

Knox County Board of Elections  
104 East Sugar St.  
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

## *What are my vote submission options?*

- ALL Ohio voters whose registration information is up-to-date have the opportunity to vote in any election from the convenience of their own homes by requesting an absentee ballot.
- Options include:
  - In-person voting at your assigned polling place on November 3, 2020
  - Absentee voting
  - Early in-person voting

## *I am interested in early in-person voting. How do I do that?*

- Starting **October 6, 2020**, you can go to your county board of elections or early voting center as designated by the county.
- There, your voting experience will be exactly or very similar to voting on election day.

*I am hearing a lot about absentee voting. What is that?*

- Absentee voting and mail-in voting are the same thing!
- Absentee voting has many benefits.
  - You can vote early
  - It is convenient and SAFE
  - It reduces the chance of lines at the polls on Election Day, and
  - Absentee ballots are the first votes counted on Election Night.

*I am interested in absentee voting. How do I do that?*

- **October 31, 2020**, is the deadline to request absentee ballot (do this ASAP)

**STEPS TO REQUEST AND VOTE AN ABSENTEE BALLOT**

1. [Complete the absentee ballot request form\\*](#)
2. Once you have completed your application by providing all of the required information, print and sign it.
3. Mail the request form back to your own county board of elections.
4. Wait to receive your ballot in the mail from your county board of elections.
  - If you have questions about your absentee ballot request, you should call your [county board of elections](#) or you can track the status of your ballot request as well as your voted absentee ballot through the [Voter Toolkit](#).
5. Return your voted ballot.
  - You can send it by *U.S. Mail* or deliver it *in person* to your county board of elections
  - The return envelope containing your marked ballot must either be received by your county board of elections prior to the close of the polls on November 3, 2020, or postmarked no later than November 2, 2020, and received by the board of elections no later than November 13, 2020.
  - **To make sure your absentee ballot is counted, it must be received by your board of elections by 7:30 p.m. on November 3, 2020, OR be postmarked by November 2, 2020.**
  - The U.S. Postal Service (USPS) estimates that it may take two to five days for your voted absentee ballot to be delivered to your board of elections by mail.
  - If you are returning your voted ballot during the week before Election Day, you should take it to USPS no later than the November 2, 2020, and ensure it receives a postmark as follows:

1. If you use a postage label purchased at a USPS customer service window or vending machine, the date on the label is the postmark. This is the USPS-recommended way to postmark your ballot.
2. If you use postage stamps, ask that it be postmarked.