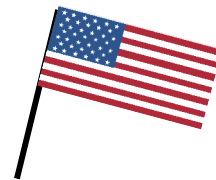




# Get Ready to Vote!

## PA Primary Election: May 16, 2023



### Who Will Be on My Ballot? Why Vote in These Elections?

- You are choosing these candidates who will make decisions that affect your daily life.
- **Allegheny County:** County Executive, Controller, Treasurer, District Attorney, and County Council; Municipal/Borough/Town Councils and School Boards; and Court of Common Pleas and Magisterial District Judges
- **Pittsburgh:** City Council, City Treasurer, and School Board Members
- **Statewide Judges:** Supreme, Superior, and Commonwealth Courts



### Where is Candidate Information?

For information about candidates on your ballot, go to [Vote411.org](https://Vote411.org). Enter your home address. Check back for updates.

### Who Is Eligible to Vote?

- US citizens 18 years old or older as of May 16, 2023,
- PA residents for 30 days prior to May 16, 2023, and
- **Registered Democrat or Republican.**
  - PA has **CLOSED** Primaries to select candidates. Members of other parties and independents **cannot vote for primary candidates** but can vote for special elections and ballot questions.
  - **All voters** can select **any** candidate of **any** party in the November General Election.

### What Are the Deadlines? *Postmarks do not count! MAIL EARLY!*

- **May 1:** Last day to **register** to vote and must be received by **5 pm**.
- **May 9:** Last day to **apply for a mail-in or absentee ballot**. Your completed application must be received in the **Allegheny County Elections Division\*** by **5 pm**.
- **May 16: Election Day.** Vote in person at your precinct. Or have your Mail-in or Absentee Ballot received in the **Allegheny County Elections Division\*** by **8 pm**.



### How Do I Register?

- **Online:** Go to [vote.pa.gov](https://vote.pa.gov) to register, check your voter registration, or change your address, name, or party affiliation. It is easiest to register using a PA Driver's License or PennDOT ID. You may also apply by using the last 4 digits of your Social Security Number and uploading a signature.
- **On paper:** Download the paper registration form from [vote.pa.gov](https://vote.pa.gov) or request the form from **Allegheny County Elections Division\*** or the **League of Women Voters\*\***.

### Voter Assistance

**\*Allegheny County Elections Division:** Call, 412-350-4500;  
542 Forbes Ave, Rm 312, Pittsburgh, PA 15219

**\*\*League of Women Voters of Greater Pittsburgh:** Call, 412-261-4284;

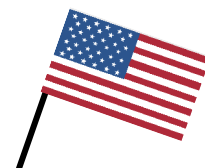
Email: [info@lwvpgh.org](mailto:info@lwvpgh.org) Website: [www.lwvpgh.org](https://www.lwvpgh.org)





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## PA Primary 2023



### How Do I Cast My Ballot?

#### To Vote in Person:

- Polls are open from **7 am – 8 pm on Election Day, MAY 16**. Use "Additional Voter Resources" at the bottom of this page to find your polling place. If you are a first-time voter, or voting at a new precinct for the first time, bring your voter registration card or another valid ID. Don't leave without voting. Anyone may request a provisional ballot.

#### To Vote by Mail:

**Any registered voter** can apply for a Mail-In Ballot or Absentee Ballot.

#### There Are Two Steps:



##### (1) Apply for a Mail-in Ballot or an Absentee Ballot

###### a) To obtain and submit a **PAPER** application:

- Go to [Vote.PA.gov](https://Vote.PA.gov) to download the application form. Or, request one be mailed to you by calling the **Allegheny County Elections Division\*** (412-350-4500) or the **League of Women Voters\*\*** (412-261-4284). Complete, sign, and mail your paper application to the **Allegheny County Elections Division\***.

###### b) To submit an **ONLINE** application:

- Go to [Vote.PA.gov](https://Vote.PA.gov). It is easiest to apply using a PA Driver's License or PennDOT ID. You may also apply by using the last 4 digits of your Social Security Number and uploading a signature.

##### (2) Complete and Mail Your Mail-in or Absentee ballot

- After your application is approved and your county's candidate list is official, your Mail-in or Absentee Ballot will be mailed to you.
- Complete your ballot. Insert your ballot in the secrecy envelope. Seal it.
- Insert secrecy envelope into official return envelope. Seal it. Sign it. Date it. Mail it.
- **Ballots in unsigned or undated envelopes will not be counted.**

### Voters with Criminal Records

In Pennsylvania, voters with criminal records who are **not currently incarcerated on a felony charge are eligible to vote**. Voters who are incarcerated but who are **pre-trial** may also vote and may request an absentee ballot. Voters who are incarcerated for **misdemeanors** may vote. Voters who are on probation or released on parole are eligible to vote. For more detailed information, see this [Department of State webpage](https://www.pa.gov/department-of-state).

### Additional Resources

[vote.pa.gov](https://vote.pa.gov) - State of PA voter site. Register to vote, change your address or party, apply for a mail-in or absentee ballot, check your registration status or your polling place.

[vote411.org](https://vote411.org) - League of Women Voters' guide to candidates. Enter your home address to see which candidates are on your ballot and other election information. **Check back for updates.**

[www.lwvpgh.org](https://www.lwvpgh.org) - Pennsylvania primary election basics, current voter guides, and candidate forums for Allegheny County.

