

# Flagler County VOTER'S GUIDE



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**Your Vote. Your Voice.**



**Kaiti Lenhart**  
FLAGLER COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS

The most current elections information is always available online:  
**www.FlaglerElections.com**



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## Supervisor of Elections

The Supervisor of Elections is one of five Constitutional Officers in each Florida county. We are responsible for conducting Federal, state, and local elections.



The duty of the office of the Supervisor of Elections is to uphold the Election Laws of the State of Florida and the Constitution of the United States.

The following mission and core values were developed by Kaiti Lenhart, Supervisor of Elections, with a focus on improving the voting experience in Flagler County.

#### MISSION

The mission of the Supervisor of Elections is to encourage citizen participation and enhance public confidence by conducting fair, secure, and accurate elections.

#### CORE VALUES

- Provide nonpartisan services to all voters and support a positive voting experience.
- Apply the highest standards in regards to ethics, integrity and professionalism.
- Encourage civic participation through voter education programs designed to engage citizens of all ages.

#### PUBLIC SPEAKING

Do you need a guest speaker for your school, organization or event? Voter outreach is a priority! Supervisor Kaiti Lenhart is available to speak to your organization regarding the election process and the importance of voting. Topics may vary and can be customized to meet the needs of your event. Contact the Elections Office for more information.

Your right to vote is precious. A well-informed and active electorate builds a healthy community. Every election is important.

*Be Election Ready!*

**YOUR VOTE. YOUR VOICE.**  
**Your Vote Counts!**

# Voter Registration

In order to vote in an election, you must be a registered voter 29 days before that election takes place. You have several options to register to vote. Use the Florida Online Voter Registration System to register at: [www.FlaglerElections.com](http://www.FlaglerElections.com) or fill out an application from the Supervisor of Elections Office.

There are other locations throughout the county where you may register: Driver's license offices, public libraries, DCF centers and state offices that serve persons with disabilities. You may also register by mail. Printed registration applications are available at post offices, schools, libraries, city halls, or community centers, as well as many businesses throughout the county.

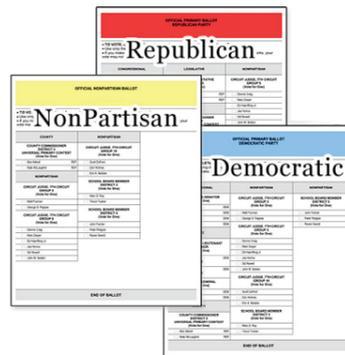
## DO WE HAVE YOUR MOST CURRENT INFORMATION?

It is important that the Elections Office has your most current information. Have you moved recently? Has your name changed? Is your signature current? Do you need to update your party affiliation? Please use a voter registration application to make any necessary changes.

## CLOSED PRIMARY ELECTIONS

Florida is a closed Primary state. Only registered party members may vote for partisan offices during a Primary Election. For example, only registered Republicans may vote for Republican candidates, and only registered Democrats may vote for Democratic candidates.

All registered voters are always entitled to vote for nonpartisan offices and any amendment items. Primary Elections are very important! Nonpartisan judicial and school board offices are often decided during a Primary Election.



# Three Ways to Vote

There are three ways to exercise your right to vote in Florida. Don't forget your photo & signature ID!



## VOTING BY MAIL

Any registered voter may vote by mail. A mail ballot may be requested for a specific election or all elections through the next regularly scheduled General Election. Requested ballots are mailed approximately five weeks before an election. Only the voter, a designated member of their immediate family, or legal guardian can request a ballot for the voter. Immediate family means the voter's spouse or the parent, child, grandparent, grandchild, or sibling of the voter. The request deadline is 10 days before Election Day.

If you have recently registered to vote and have not shown ID, you will be required to send a copy of your ID along with your voted mail ballot.

The U.S. Postal Service does not forward Vote-By-Mail ballots, therefore you must provide your mailing address and contact info at the time of the request. Ballots mailed to an address other than the voter registration record address require a voter's written request.

The voter must personally vote their own ballot (unless assistance is required due to disability) and the voter must sign the return envelope. Power of attorney is not recognized for voting in the state of Florida.

## VOTING EARLY

Before each county-wide election, you may vote at any of our designated early voting locations. Locations will be available in different areas of the county for your convenience. The early voting schedule varies by election, so plan ahead to be election ready. The schedule can always be found at: [www.FlaglerElections.com](http://www.FlaglerElections.com)



## VOTING ON ELECTION DAY

On Election Day, you must vote in your assigned precinct. This information is listed on your Voter Information Card or you can locate your precinct by using our precinct finder lookup tool online: [www.FlaglerElections.com/precinct-finder](http://www.FlaglerElections.com/precinct-finder)

## COMMON MAIL BALLOT QUESTIONS:

### Are mail ballots counted?

Yes! All mail ballots are verified and counted in every election. In fact, they are among the first results you see on Election Night, along with early voting results. The signature on the returned ballot envelope must match the signature on file. Each one of the thousands of mail ballot envelope signatures are reviewed by trained Elections Office staff, a process which takes many hours.



### When will I receive my ballot?

Ballots for overseas voters are mailed 45 days prior to an election. Ballots for all other voters are mailed approximately 40 days prior to an election.

### How can I return my ballot?

Mail ballots can be returned by mail, secure drop box or hand-delivered to the Elections Office. A secure drop box is located at the Elections Office 60 days prior to each county-wide election, during office hours. Secure drop boxes are also available at early voting locations during early voting hours. Your ballot must be received in the Elections Office by 7:00 p.m. on the day of the election for your vote to count. A voted mail ballot cannot be dropped off at Election Day voting precincts.

### Can I track my ballot?

Yes! View the status of your mail ballot and make sure it has been received with our online mail ballot tracking service:

[FlaglerElections.com/VBM](http://FlaglerElections.com/VBM) >>>

# Election Security

## Protecting Your Vote!

Learn more about the security of your elections in Flagler County:

[www.FlaglerElections.com/security](http://www.FlaglerElections.com/security)

Our nation's elections were designated as critical infrastructure by the Department of Homeland Security in January 2017.

This important designation allows local election officials many free resources, including access to the latest cybersecurity intelligence information.

The Supervisor of Elections Office has developed a strong partnership with the DHS to improve our security protections.

Continuing security improvements are necessary to ensure fair, accurate, and secure elections for Flagler County voters. In addition to equipment and software upgrades, our network design allows for a complete reconciliation of ballots cast versus total voter turnout. The voter registration database and vote tabulation database are maintained independently on separate servers.

The tabulation server is held in a closed network with no Internet access.

## Visit our website and learn more about:

- Voter List Maintenance
- Mail Ballot FAQ
- Paper Ballots Only
- Systems Testing
- Ballot Reconciliation
- Results Reporting
- Manual Audits

