

# A message from your Supervisor of Elections

Today is Primary Election Day, August 30, 2016! We are already seeing record breaking turnout during this election! More voters have cast their ballot early or by mail over the past few weeks than during any other Primary election in Flagler County. Today will be a busy day at polling locations throughout the county.

All precincts in Flagler County will be open from 7:00 A.M. until 7:00 P.M. today, August 30, 2016. If you haven't voted early or by mail, please visit your assigned precinct to vote in this very important election. If you have moved since the last time you voted, please call the Elections Office to update your address before visiting any polling location. Find your precinct: <a href="https://www.flaglerelections.com/precinct-finder">www.flaglerelections.com/precinct-finder</a>

Elections results will be available at 7:00 P.M. View the results online: <a href="http://www.flaglerelections.com">http://www.flaglerelections.com</a>

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# **2016 PRIMARY ELECTION**

# **Record Breaking Turnout**

	Primary El	ection Ea	rly Voting	Turnout	
Voor	2000	2010	2012	2014	

Year	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016
Ballots Cast	2,329	3,069	5,108	4,664	7,696

## 7,696 early votes is 9.92% of the total turnout

# Primary Election Vote By Mail Turnout

Year	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016
Ballots Cast	1,826	1,947	2,505	4,090	5,542

6,662 mail votes as of August 30, 2016 (10:00 A.M.)

# 2016 ELECTION DATES & DEADLINES

#### **Primary Election**

Deadline to register to vote or change your party: **August 1** 

Early Voting: **August 15 - August 27** 

Election Day: **August 30** 

#### **General Election**

Deadline to register to vote or change your party:

October 11

Early Voting:

October 24 - November 5

Election Day: **November 8** 

Polls are always open from 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. on Election Day.

# Where's my precinct?

You must vote in your assigned precinct on Election Day. Use the Precinct Finder tool online:



## Vote By Mail

Mail ballots must be returned to the Elections Office by 7:00 P.M. on Election Day.

#### **Notice of Candidate Withdrawal**

Votes for candidates in three different local races will not be counted. Please be aware of the following:

- A candidate has withdrawn from Circuit Judge, 7th Judicial Circuit, Group 4. The withdrawal letter was received from Chris
  France on Wednesday, July 20, 2016. Votes for Chris France will not be counted.
- A candidate has withdrawn from Palm Coast City Council Member, District 1. The withdrawal letter was received from Troy Dubose on Tuesday, August 2, 2016. Votes for Troy DuBose will not be counted.
- A candidate seeking **Precinct Committeeman in Precinct 23** passed away on July 22, 2016. Our condolences to the family of Frank J. Meeker. Votes for Frank Meeker in this race will not be counted.

Notices will be posted in every voting booth throughout the county during Early Voting and on Election Day. Notices will also be placed in mail ballots to inform voters.

#### Races and Issues To Be Decided In This Election

There are several races and one Constitutional Amendment which will be decided in this election. All registered voters, regardless of party affiliation, may vote on issues, universal primary contests and nonpartisan candidates during a Primary Election. Some races will be decided in this Primary. Every vote counts!

#### **County Offices**

Supervisor of Elections – Universal Primary Contest

#### **Party Offices**

- Democrat and Republican State Committeeman and Committeewoman
- Republican Precinct Committeepersons in Precincts 11, 18, 21, 23, 27, 29

#### **Nonpartisan Offices**

 Circuit Judge, School Board and Municipal Offices, which include City of Palm Coast Mayor, City of Palm Coast Council Member Districts 1, 3

### Nonpartisan races with two candidates -

One candidate will receive a majority of the vote, therefore a General Election will not be held for this race.

#### Nonpartisan races with three or more candidates -

If any one candidate receives a majority of the votes cast (50% +1 vote), the candidate is elected in the Primary Election and there will be no General Election held for the race. If no candidate for such office receives a majority of the votes cast for such office in the Primary Election, the names of the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes for such office shall be placed on the General Election ballot. *Reference: Section 105.051, Florida Statutes.* 

#### Proposed Constitutional Amendment No. 4

Solar Devices or Renewable Energy Source Devices; Exemption From Certain Taxation and Assessment

## Have you moved?

You must vote in the precinct where you live on Election Day. Your voter registration address defines your district representation and you must receive the correct ballot based upon your assigned precinct. If you have recently moved, or moved since the last time you voted, please update your address today with the Elections Office.

#### Choose one of these ways to update your address:

- 1. Use the Address Change Form to update your address online, OR
- 2. Call (386) 313-4170 to update your address by phone, OR
- 3. Complete, print, sign and mail the Florida Voter Registration Application form and deliver to the Elections Office or mail to PO Box 901, Bunnell, FL 32110, OR
- 4. Visit the Elections Office, located in the Government Services Building and update your address in person. Address: 1769 E. Moody Boulevard, Building 2, Suite 101 in Bunnell, use this map.

Once the address change has been completed, you will receive a new Voter Information Card by mail.

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Over the past several years, I have taken note of the most frequently asked questions which we receive in the Elections Office. This section of the newsletter will highlight one question and provide an answer to a question we hear often.

## Q: I am not registered to vote. Can I vote today?

**A:** The voter registration deadline is always 29 days prior to an election. Anyone can register to vote, however, any new registration after the deadline will be deferred to the next election. Use the Florida Voter Registration Application to register to vote today!

#### Florida Voter Registration Application:

http://dos.myflorida.com/media/693757/dsde39.pdf



# Flagler County Voter Outreach Program

Voter education is an essential function of the Supervisor of Elections Office. We are continuing to take your Elections Office into the community to reach voters with important election dates and information. This will be one of the most important election years of our lifetime. Your vote is your voice, be heard!

# **Upcoming Voter Registration Drives**

Visit the Supervisor of Elections Voter Outreach Tent at the following events to Be Election Ready in 2016!

October 1, 2016	Palm Coast International Festival	10:00 A.M ?

#### Central Park, Town Center

Residents have come here to live from countries and cities around the world. To recognize our heritage and share ethnic cuisine, music and costume with each other, the City organized the first International Food and Wine Festival in June 2012. Local cultural organizations were asked to participate in this two day celebration, to be located around Central Park in Town Center. Booths representing Ireland, Portugal, Poland, Germany, China, Jamaica, Italy and Greece greeted hundreds of guests for this first cultural special event.

Register to vote or update your voter registration at the Supervisor of Elections Voter Outreach Tent.

October 8-9, 2016	Creekside Festival	10:00 A.M ?

#### **Princess Place Preserve**

Creekside Festival has invited Flagler County residents and guests to gather under the majestic oaks at Princess Place Preserve for a local tradition that celebrates the natural beauty of Northeast Florida. Held on the shores of Pellicer Creek, the Creekside Festival has become one of the most popular festivals around, attracting more than 10,000 visitors each year. The draw? A two-day festival with family friendly activities including live bluegrass music, historical demonstrations and exhibits, arts & crafts vendors, a photography contest, a kids' zone, pony rides, amazing food vendors and much more, all in a picturesque natural setting.

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