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Last Week of Early Voting for May 6th Primary/Special Election: What Hamilton County Voters Need to Know

HAMILTON COUNTY, Ohio – With Election Day fast approaching, voters will want to be aware of several upcoming deadlines for the Tuesday, May 6th Primary/Special Election.

The last day to request a Vote by Mail ballot is Tuesday, April 29th. Voters can download a Vote by Mail Application on the Board of Elections website (<u>votehamiltoncountyohio.gov/</u>) or can call the Board at the new phone number (513-946-8500) to request a Vote by Mail Application. Voters may return the application by mail or in person at the BOE. Applications must be received by 8:30pm on Tuesday, April 29th. The Early Vote Center will be open extended hours on April 29th (7:30am-8:30pm) to accept applications.

I have my Vote by Mail ballot - what do I do now? Once you have your ballot, you have two different options to return your voted ballot to the BOE:

- 1. <u>Mail your ballot back to the Board of Elections</u> with \$.73 cents of postage (or 1 Forever stamp). Mailed ballots must be postmarked by Monday, May 5th and received at the Board by Saturday, May 10th.
- 2. Save the cost of postage and <u>drop off your ballot at the Board of Elections.</u> Vote by Mail ballots must be received at the Board by the deadline of 7:30pm on Election Day, Tuesday, May 6th.

* The 24/7 Drop Box is available *only to voters returning their own personal ballot*. Voters returning a ballot on behalf of a family member or a person with a disability can return those ballots during the Board's business hours and must complete a Ballot Delivery Attestation (Form 12-P).

The Early Vote Center offers extended hours for the last week of early voting (An <u>Election Calendar</u> is attached):

- Monday, April 28th from 7:30am to 7:30pm
- Tuesday April 29th from 7:30am to 8:30pm
- Wednesday-Friday, April 30th May 2nd, from 7:30am to 7:30pm
- Saturday, May 3rd from 8:00am to 4:00pm
- Sunday, May 4th from 1:00pm to 5:00pm (LAST day of early voting)

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"At our Early Vote Center in Norwood wait times have been minimal," said Raquel Burgos, Deputy Director. "Early Voting is a quick and easy way to cast your ballot on your own schedule."

Director Sherry Poland wants to remind voters, "To cast a ballot at the Early Vote Center, or at a neighborhood polling place on Election Day, voters must bring a valid, unexpired, form of photo ID with them."

Ohio voting identification requirements have not changed for this election. <u>Click HERE</u> to view the Acceptable ID Chart for Voting (attached). Please note that Ohio's new mobile ID is not valid identification for voting purposes.

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