It's an honor and privilege to serve as your Supervisor of Elections. My top priority remains providing for safe, secure and accurate elections. Over the past three years we have strengthened our office network utilizing the latest security technologies and continued our efforts to educate voters to the fact that our voting system is not open to the internet. Every Florida voter casts their vote using the safest system that exists today: a paper ballot! It is important that voters have trust in the process and know their vote counts!

In preparing for this very important election year, I would like to encourage all citizens to register and vote in every election. It only takes a few minutes to register to vote or update your information. As a registered voter, you may also request a ballot to vote-by-mail.

My staff and I are here to serve you, and we will make it easy for you to vote. Please visit our office, call or use our online resources to help you prepare for election day.
REGISTERING TO VOTE IS EASY

You CAN register to vote if:
You are a citizen of the United States of America.
You are at least 18 years of age (you may preregister at age 16).
You are a legal resident of the State of Florida and of the county where you intend to vote.

You CANNOT register to vote if:
• You are not a citizen of the United States of America. (A lawful permanent resident cannot register or vote in Florida).
• You have been convicted of a felony or adjudicated mentally incapacitated with respect to voting, unless and until your right to vote has been restored.

Register By Mail:
Voter Registration Application forms are available to print online at votesjc.com. Simply complete an application and mail it to the Elections Office.

Where to Register in Person:
To register in person, simply complete a Florida Voter Registration Application at an authorized agency, which includes: any Supervisor of Elections Office, public libraries, Florida Driver License offices, any office that provides public assistance or serves persons with disabilities (centers for independent living, WIC and Florida Department of Children and Families Offices), and armed forces recruitment offices. You may also submit your voter registration information at the same time you apply for a new or renewed Florida Driver License or Florida ID.

What You Will Need to Register:
You will need your Florida Driver License number, Florida ID number, or if you have not been issued one, the last four digits of your Social Security number. If you have not been issued any of the numbers above, check the box next to “I have NONE of these numbers” on the Florida Voter Registration Application.

When to Register:
You can register at any time. However, if you want to vote in an upcoming election, the deadline to register is the 29th day before that election.

ONLINE VOTER REGISTRATION

Did you know you can now register to vote or make changes to your voter information online, including party changes? Register to vote Florida.gov is mobile friendly and accessible through our website votesjc.com. This service is convenient, simple and available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

To submit a registration online, applicants will need a Florida driver license or Florida identification (ID) card and the last four digits of their social security number. Once the individual’s identity is verified and the application deemed complete, a voter information card will be issued by the Elections Office.

So the next time you need to update your information, just give it a try!
YOUR VOTER INFORMATION CARD
Once registered, a Voter Information Card will be mailed to you. This card provides your precinct number and polling location, as well as other information. If you do not receive your card within two weeks of registering, it is important that you contact the Elections Office immediately to ensure you are registered. If your polling location or precinct changes, you will be mailed a new Voter Information Card with updated information on where to cast your ballot on election day. You do not need your Voter Information Card for voting. When voting in person, you will need photo & signature ID.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: LAW CHANGE FOR VOTE-BY-MAIL DROP BOXES
Due to a law change, Vote-By-Mail Drop boxes will no longer be available in all public libraries, Tax Collectors Offices or St. Augustine Beach City Hall. They will ONLY be available in Early Voting locations during the hours of early voting and at the Elections Office.

Florida is a Closed Primary State
In a Primary Election you may only vote for candidates of the party in which you are registered.
• Democrats receive a Democratic Ballot
• Republicans receive a Republican Ballot
• Voter registered with No Party Affiliation or a Minor Party may receive a Nonpartisan Ballot and cannot vote for party candidates.

THE DEADLINE TO CHANGE PARTY AFFILIATION IS 29 DAYS BEFORE A PRIMARY ELECTION

BEGINNING WITH THE MARCH ELECTION, ALL FLORIDA COUNTIES MUST PROVIDE BALLOTS AND VOTING MATERIALS IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH. FOR ST. JOHNS COUNTY AND 31 OTHER FLORIDA COUNTIES, THIS CHANGE WAS MANDATED BY A FEDERAL JUDGE. IN A POLICY DECISION, GOVERNOR DESANTIS HAS MANDATED BY FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE RULE, ALL FLORIDA COUNTIES MUST PROVIDE BALLOTS AND VOTING MATERIALS IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH FOR ALL FUTURE ELECTIONS. COUNTIES WILL ALSO PROVIDE LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE AT THE POLLS BY ADDITIONAL BILINGUAL POLL WORKERS AND BY USE OF A SPANISH LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE HOTLINE.

Esta publicación está disponible en español en nuestro sitio web:
https://www.votesjc.com/Voter-Education/Voter-Education-Pamphlets
YOUR SAMPLE BALLOT:
REVIEW IT, MARK IT, TAKE IT TO THE POLLS

Your sample ballot is based on your legal residence address and party affiliation (in primary elections) and will be mailed approximately three weeks prior to election day. If you would like your sample ballot e-mailed, please notify the Elections Office. Your sample ballot contains your specific ballot style and information regarding voting opportunities in the election. It may also be used to research candidates and issues. Mark your sample ballot and take it with you as a reference when voting.

ACCEPTABLE IDENTIFICATION WHEN VOTING IN PERSON

Voter Information cards are not a valid form of identification when voting. Be sure to bring a current and valid photo ID when voting in-person. If the photo ID does not contain your signature, an additional ID that includes your signature shall be required. Example: Photo on Student ID and signature on a library card are acceptable. If you do not bring any ID, you will be allowed to vote a provisional ballot.

- A Florida Driver license
- Florida ID card issued by the DMV
- United States Passport
- Debit or Credit Card
- Military ID
- Student ID
- License to carry a concealed weapon or firearm
- Neighborhood Association ID
- Public Assistance ID
- Veteran Health ID
- Retirement Center ID
- Government Employee ID

HOW WE KNOW OUR VOTING SYSTEM IS SECURE

1. Every Florida voter casts their ballot on the safest system that exists today: Paper ballots! St. Johns County voters have been voting on paper ballots since 1994.
2. Our state certified voting equipment is tested before each election with a public logic and accuracy test to verify the tabulators are counting votes accurately.
3. The ballots and voting equipment are stored in a secure area in the Elections Office Warehouse with restricted key card access. Only authorized personnel are permitted to enter the area. During voting, our tabulators are kept in plain sight, secured with seals to prohibit tampering.
4. A stand-alone server, not connected to the internet, is used to program the election and tabulate the results.
5. A separate communication server on a private network, not connected to the internet, receives encrypted electronic election results from each precinct on election night when the polls close.
6. Electronic results from each tabulator are backed up by paper results tapes that are posted on the doors of each polling place election night and an additional tape is brought to the Elections Office.
7. An auditor is performed on the paper results tape and electronic results received from each precinct to assure all voted ballots are accounted for and all results have been recorded correctly.
8. Election results are verified with a manual audit conducted after each election. A randomly selected race and precinct are hand-counted to verify the total matches the tabulated results.
9. Paper ballots are retained for 22 months and can be re-tabulated if there is ever a question about results.

Elections are conducted on a local level in all 67 counties in Florida. Safeguards are established in law. Elections office staff and poll workers belong to different political parties and have diverse backgrounds. It would be impossible to engineer this complex system to benefit a specific candidate or party. Sadly, there is an unwarranted sense of fear among some of our citizens – that is as dangerous to our democracy as a compromised election. I have total confidence in our voting system and our processes, and you can too. I promise you our elections are safe and secure!

2020 Offices Scheduled for Election

Federal
- President and Vice-President
- Representative in Congress, Districts 4 & 6

State
- State Attorney: Judicial Circuit 7
- Public Defender: Judicial Circuit 7
- State Senator: District 7
- State Representative: Districts 17 & 24
- Supreme Court: Retention of Judges
- Fifth District Court of Appeal: Retention of Judges
- Circuit Judges, 7th Judicial Circuit

County
- Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller
- Property Appraiser
- Sheriff
- Supervisor of Elections
- Tax Collector
- County Commissioners
  – Districts 1, 3 & 5
- School Board Members
  – Districts 2 & 5

Special Districts
- Anastasia Mosquito Control District
  – Seats 1, 3 & 5
- St. Augustine – St. Johns County Airport Authority
  – Groups 4 & 5
- St. Johns Soil & Water Conservation District
  – Groups 3 & 4
- St. Augustine Port, Waterway & Beach Commission
  – Groups 2 & 4
- Municipal Service District of Ponte Vedra Beach
  – Seats 2, 4 & 6

Municipalities
- City of St. Augustine
  – Seats 1, 2 & 3/Mayor
- City of St. Augustine Beach
  – Seats 1 & 2

Community Development Districts
There are 16 districts up for election. For a complete listing of CDDs, visit votesjc.com

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