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### **In-Person Voting for the June Primaries Begins April 23, 2021**

RICHMOND, Va. -- The Virginia Department of Elections announces that early voting (in-person voting) begins **Friday, April 23, 2021**. Also, absentee ballots will be sent to all voters who have requested a ballot by mail.

**Voters no longer need a reason to vote absentee.** Any registered voter may request an absentee ballot, either in-person or by mail. Voters can request a mailed ballot online at [elections.virginia.gov/voterInformation](https://elections.virginia.gov/voterInformation). They can also find a vote-by-mail ballot form at [elections.virginia.gov/forms](https://elections.virginia.gov/forms). Or they can contact their local voter registration office and ask them to mail them an application. Contact information for local registrars can be found at [www.elections.virginia.gov/localGR](https://www.elections.virginia.gov/localGR).

The last day to request an absentee ballot is **Friday, May 28, 2021 at 5 p.m.** Absentee ballots returned by mail must be **postmarked by Election Day, June 8, 2021** and received by the local voter registration office by noon on **Friday, June 11, 2021**. Voters can also drop off their marked and sealed ballots at a drop off location at their local voter registration office or polling place up to **7 p.m. on Election Day**.

In-person voting ends **June 5, 2021**. **Voters do not have to fill out an application to vote in person.** Voters can simply go to their general registrar's office or satellite voting location, show ID and cast a ballot. More information about what IDs are considered acceptable can be found at [elections.virginia.gov/voterID](https://elections.virginia.gov/voterID).

If you believe you may not safely have a witness present while completing the absentee ballot for the June 8, 2021 primary election, you are not required to have a witness present.

Also, if you are blind or have low vision or have impaired manual dexterity, you have the option of voting an absentee ballot using an electronic ballot marking tool. More about accessible voting options can be found at [elections.virginia.gov/accessible](https://elections.virginia.gov/accessible).

Voters with questions about the June 8, 2021 primary election may call the Virginia Department of Elections at (800) 552-9745, email the department at [info@elections.virginia.gov](mailto:info@elections.virginia.gov), or visit our website at [elections.virginia.gov](https://elections.virginia.gov). Voters are also encouraged to follow us on Twitter at [@vaElect](https://twitter.com/vaElect), Facebook at [@VirginiaELECT](https://facebook.com/VirginiaELECT) and Instagram at [@va\\_election](https://instagram.com/va_election).

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