

## OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK GREENE COUNTY

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## Deadline to Request an Absentee Ballot by Mail for the August Preferential Primary Election is Wednesday, July 20

Greene County Clerk Shane Schoeller reminds all voters wishing to vote absentee for the Preferential Primary Election on Tuesday, August 2 that the deadline to request an absentee ballot by mail is 5:00 pm this Wednesday, July 20. Voters may request an absentee ballot by downloading and printing the application, which is located at <a href="https://vote.greenecountymo.gov/voting-information/#absentee">https://vote.greenecountymo.gov/voting-information/#absentee</a>, and returning it by email to <a href="mailto:absenteevoting@greenecountymo.gov">absenteevoting@greenecountymo.gov</a> or by mail to the Office of the County Clerk, 940 N. Boonville Ave. Room 113, Springfield, MO 65802. Voters will need to specify party preference in order to vote on partisan nominations for various county, state, and federal offices. In addition, the August election will feature issues in the City of Republic and the Ash Grove Fire Protection District.

By statute, voters are permitted to cast an absentee ballot for one of the following reasons:

- Absence on Election Day from the jurisdiction of the election authority in which a voter is registered to vote;
- Incapacity or confinement due to illness or physical disability, including a person who is primarily responsible for the physical care of a person who is incapacitated or confined due to illness or disability;
- Religious belief or practice;
- Employment as an election authority, as a member of an election authority, or by an election authority at a location other than a voter's polling place;
- Incarceration, provided all qualifications for voting are retained;
- Certified participation in the address confidentiality program established under RSMo. 589.660 to 589.681 because of safety concerns.

In-person absentee voting is also available at the Greene County Elections Center at 1126 N. Boonville Avenue in Springfield; hours are Monday to Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm through Monday, August 1. In-person absentee voting will also be available at the Elections Center and at the Office of the County Clerk from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm on Saturday, July 30.

Absentee ballots must be received in the Office of the County Clerk by 7:00 pm on Election Day to be counted. Sample ballots for Greene County and a composite of candidates and issues, along with information and resources regarding absentee voting, are available in the Office of the County Clerk or online at <a href="https://vote.greenecountymo.gov">https://vote.greenecountymo.gov</a>.

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