

Hernando votes

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Happy New Year and welcome to a new decade!

2020 promises to be a very busy year in the elections world. My staff and I have been working diligently to implement new processes and procedures to make sure that we are prepared for this vibrant election season.

Our first election is the Presidential Preference Primary (PPP) on March 17, 2020. Florida is a closed primary state and like all primaries the PPP is a closed primary election. You must be registered with one of Florida's major political parties in order to be eligible to vote in this primary.

Twenty-seven percent of voters in Hernando County are registered as NPA (No Party Affiliation) or as a member of a Minor Party and will not be eligible to vote in the March 17th PPP. Please take time to ensure that your voter registration is current. Use the voter look up tool found here. <https://www.hernandovotes.com/Voters/Voter-Lookup-Tool>

If you would like to change your party affiliation, you may do so by completing a voter registration application. In order to be eligible for this election you must be registered by **February 18, 2020**. Applications can be found online <https://www.hernandovotes.com/Voters/Registration-Information> or by visiting one of our offices.

In a general election, party affiliation is not an issue. You may vote for a candidate regardless of party preference.

As always, do not hesitate to contact us at 352-754-4125 with any questions or concerns.

We are excited about the upcoming election cycle and look forward to seeing you at the polls!

Shirley Anderson

Hernando County Supervisor of Elections

"It is the mission of the Supervisor of Elections office to ensure the integrity of the electoral process and empower each voter through continuous education."

Are You Election Ready?

“Help us Help you” by making sure that we have all of your current information on file so that you are prepared to vote. Check your voter status with the [Voter Look-Up Tool](#) under the “Voters” tab at HernandoVotes.com or call our office at **352-754-4125**.

From the website, you can also:

- ✓ [Register to vote](#)
- ✓ [Check the location for your Polling Place](#)
- ✓ [Learn more about the different ways you can vote](#)

What needs to be updated
on my voter record for
Election Day?

- ✓ Address Change
- ✓ Party Affiliation Change
- ✓ Name Change
- ✓ Signature Updates

Presidential Preference Primary



EARLY VOTING

03/06/2020-03/14/2020 9:00-5:00pm

March 17, 2020

BOOK CLOSING

February 18, 2020

**Book Closing is the LAST DAY to make changes to your voter record.
Book Closing is also the LAST DAY to register to vote.**

Spanish Language Implementation

All Florida Counties required to transition to bilingual (English & Spanish) ballots, precinct supplies, voting materials and voter education materials

In 2018 Hernando County was involved in a lawsuit with 32 other counties in Florida regarding voters from Puerto Rico who evacuated to Florida as a result of Hurricane Maria. They are US Citizens, educated in American schools, but, English is not their primary language.

Hernando, along with 31 other counties was required to provide Spanish sample ballots for the November 6, 2018, General Election in all forms made available such as on our website, mailed, or advertised and at all voting locations.

Spanish language election materials were also required to be provided, so a number of our publications were translated and made available on our website in English and in Spanish.

Additional measures such as hiring additional bilingual election workers, and being able to provide bilingual language assistance, as needed, were also required.

Judge Walker has ordered ballots and all voting materials be in English and in Spanish for the March 17, 2020, Presidential Preference Primary Election and all future elections. At the judge's direction this ruling was transitioned into State Directive 2019-02 by the Secretary of State's Office.

Also, in a policy decision, Governor DeSantis is mandating by Florida Administrative Rule making process, all Florida counties must provide ballots and voting materials in English and in Spanish for all future elections. All counties must also be able to provide voting materials in Spanish and language assistance at the polls by additional bilingual poll workers and by use of a Spanish language assistance hotline.



EARLY VOTING

Early Voting is a process we have in Hernando County which permits voters from ANY precinct to cast their ballot at one of our four Early Voting Locations. Early Voting helps you to avoid lines and the stress that can sometimes come with voting on Election Day.

EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS

BROOKSVILLE

South Brooksville Community Center
601 E Dr. Martin Luther King Blvd.
Brooksville, FL 34601

SPRING HILL

Supervisor of Elections Forest Oaks
7443 Forest Oaks Blvd.
Spring Hill, FL 34606

Spring Hill Branch Library
9220 Spring Hill Dr.
Spring Hill, FL 34608

Early Voting dates & times:

March 6th—March 14th
9:00am — 5:00pm

Please note: The East Hernando Library will not be utilized for the PPP or the Primary Elections in 2020, only for the General Election.



VOTE-BY-MAIL

If you will be away during the elections or would like the convenience to vote at home, please call the Elections Office to request a mail ballot, 352-754-4125 or visit HernandoVotes.com.

Mail ballots are **NOT** forwarded by the US Postal Service.

It is the voter's responsibility to provide an accurate mailing address. Ballots can be mailed worldwide.

- ✓ NO LINES OR WAITING
- ✓ CONVENIENT AND EASY
- ✓ TRACK YOUR BALLOT ONLINE
- ✓ DELIVERED TO YOUR DOOR

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REQUEST YOUR VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOT TODAY!

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Vote-By-Mail ballots will be mailed on February 11th