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## **Book Closing for the March 19<sup>th</sup> Presidential Preference Primary**

Book closing for the 2024 Presidential Preference Primary is quickly approaching. Tuesday, February 20, 2024, is the last day to register to vote if you plan on voting in the 2024 Presidential Preference Primary Election (PPP).

Florida is a Closed Primary state. In a closed primary election, a voter is limited to choosing candidates of the party they are registered with. In the upcoming March 19<sup>th</sup> election, only the Republican Party will hold a primary. Only voters who are registered members of the Republican Party may vote for respective party candidates. Since the Florida Democratic Party only provided one candidate nominee, the name will not appear on the Presidential Preference ballot.

Registered voters may check their status at [HernandoVotes.gov](https://HernandoVotes.gov). Look for the ‘Voter Lookup Tool’ under the Voters toolbar.

**In a General Election, party affiliation is not an issue. You may vote for a candidate regardless of party preference.**

Voters can now register to vote online! Online Voter Registration is available through our website [HernandoVotes.gov](https://HernandoVotes.gov) by selecting [Register to Vote](#). Voter registration applications are available at the Supervisor of Elections office, public libraries, county offices, city hall or state agencies that provide public assistance. Applications are also available on the Supervisor of Elections website at [www.hernandovotes.gov](https://www.hernandovotes.gov). Completed applications must be signed, dated, and postmarked by February 20, 2024. If returning in person it must be received by the close of business on February 20, 2024.

It is important to keep your voter information up to date. The information you provide determines your voting precinct and voter eligibility. In accordance with Florida Statute 97.055, the registration books close on the 29<sup>th</sup> day before each election. Once the registration books are closed, voter registration and party changes may be accepted for the purpose of subsequent elections only.

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