

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION SURRY COUNTY NORTH CAROLINA

A General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 in Surry County to vote in the following contests: President and Vice President of the United States, US Senate, US House of Representatives, North Carolina Governor, North Carolina Lieutenant Governor, North Carolina General Attorney, North Carolina Auditor, North Carolina Commissioner of Agriculture, North Carolina Commissioner of Insurance, North Carolina Commissioner of Labor, North Carolina Secretary of State, North Carolina Superintendent of Public Education, North Carolina Treasurer, North Carolina Supreme Court Chief Justice, North Carolina Supreme Court Associate Justice (2 seats), North Carolina Court of Appeals Judge (5 seats), North Carolina State Senate Districts 30 and 45, North Carolina House of Representatives Districts 90 and 91, North Carolina District Court Judge, Board of County Commissioners East and Mount Airy Districts, Register of Deeds, Dobson Town Commissioners (3 seats), Pilot Mountain Town Commissioners (2 Seats), Elkin Town Mayor, Elkin Town Commissioners (2 seats), Surry County Schools Board of Education (2 seats), Elkin City Schools Board of Education (2 seats), Mount Airy City Schools Board of Education (4 seats), Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisor.

Voters will not be required to show photo ID for elections held in 2020. Federal and state courts have temporarily blocked North Carolina's voter photo ID requirement from taking effect until further order of the courts.

Polls will be open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on the day of the election, Tuesday, November 3. One-stop early voting will be held at the Surry County Board of Elections office and Surry County Government Resource Center Mount Airy, Pilot Mountain Town Hall, Elkin Rescue Squad. One-stop early voting will be open from Thursday, October 15 until Saturday, October 31. One-stop early voting will be held Monday through Friday from 8:00 am until 7:30 pm. Saturday October 17 and 24 8:00 am until 6:00 pm. Saturday October 31, 8:00 am until 3:00 pm. Canvass will be held in the Surry County Board of Elections office at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, November 13.

Absentee voting by mail is available. Requests for an absentee ballot must be made on an absentee request form (available on the State Board of Elections website and, at the county board of elections office, and must be received in the Surry County Board of Elections office or any one-stop early voting site by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 27, 2020. Completed request forms may only be returned in-person to the Surry County Board of Elections office by the voter, the voter's near relative or verifiable legal guardian, or by a Multipartisan Assistance Team, or delivered by the U.S. Postal Service or designated delivery service (DHL, FedEx, or UPS). Absentee voting requires the voter to complete an application on the return envelope that must be witnessed by one qualified person. Completed absentee ballots must be returned to the Surry County Board of Elections by 5:00 p.m. on Election Day (ballots received by mail after this time will be considered timely if they are received by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 6, and postmarked on or before Election Day). Voters may receive assistance voting a mail-in absentee ballot from a near relative or verifiable legal guardian, or by a qualified person of their choice if a near relative or legal guardian is not available. If the voter resides in a facility such as a nursing home, and the voter's near relative or legal guardian is not available, the voter or the facility can arrange to have the county board of elections schedule a visit by a Multipartisan Assistance Team to provide assistance and serve as a witness.

All persons who are registered to vote with the Surry County Board of Elections may vote in this election. Persons who are **not** already registered to vote in the county must register by Friday, October 9 to be eligible to vote in this election. **Voters who are not registered in the county by that deadline** may register and vote during one-stop early voting only, and will be required to provide documentation of their identity and residence. Voters who fail to timely make a change to their name or address in the county must update the information when presenting to vote, and may be required to vote a provisional ballot.

Voters voting in person are entitled to assistance by an election official, or, if assistance is needed due to disability or illiteracy, by a qualified person of their choice. Voting sites are accessible to all voters. Curbside voting is available for voters who are not able to enter voting sites.

Persons with questions about registration, polling places, early voting, absentee ballots, a Multipartisan Assistance Team visit to a facility, or other election matters may call the Surry County Board of Elections Office at 336-401-8225.

Dwayne M. Carter, Chairman
Surry County Board of Elections