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FLAGLER COUNTY
ELECTIONS
NEWSLETTER

From the desk of

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SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS



Flagler Elections News

June 2024

Candidate Pre-Qualifying Is Open Now!

Attention candidates and interested persons: Candidate pre-qualifying is happening now! If you are interested in becoming a candidate, please call the Elections Office at (386) 313-4170 to learn more about the qualifying requirements, and to make an appointment. We currently have 45 local candidates seeking county and city offices!

- ✓ County Commission Districts 1, 3, 5
- ✓ School Board Districts 3, 5
- ✓ Constitutional Offices
- ✓ Special Districts:
 - ➔ Community Development Districts
 - ➔ East Flagler Mosquito Control District

Candidate Qualifying begins at noon on **June 10** and ends at noon on **June 14**.

Pre-qualifying is open now!

May 28 - June 7

If you are interested in running for office, please call to schedule an appointment.

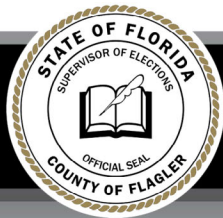


Deadline Ahead!

Candidate qualifying paperwork will NOT be accepted after the deadline.

CANDIDATE QUALIFYING

Call Today! (386) 313-4170



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Persons interested in seeking City of Palm Coast elected offices must file with the City Clerk.

More info: <https://www.flaglerelections.gov/Candidates-Committees/Becoming-a-Candidate>

Poll Worker Orientation

Thanks to all who attended our Poll Worker Orientation meetings last month! We had 18 attendees at our two sessions. If you missed the orientation, but are still interested in becoming a poll worker, please apply! Training classes begin on June 3, 2024. Download the application to apply or call the Elections Office for more information: <https://www.flaglerelections.gov/Get-Involved/Become-a-Poll-Worker>

Election Countdown:

109 days until Election Day - August 20, 2024

Primary Election



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New to Florida? Now is the time to get prepared!

Are you registered to vote? Is your address current? Has your signature changed? Are you registered with your party affiliation of choice?

More information: <https://www.flaglerelections.gov/Election-Info/Are-You-Election-Ready>

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Our Upcoming Primary Election

Did you know that our next election in August will be the most important election for local offices in Flagler County?

Primary elections typically have a lower turnout, despite the fact that **every voter may cast a**

ballot in these elections. Primary elections are important!

All voters, regardless of political party affiliation are eligible to vote for nonpartisan contests. Nonpartisan contests include School Board members, and City of Palm Coast Mayor and Council Members. These races are SO important, and several of these nonpartisan races **could be decided in the Primary**. Even if you do not declare a party affiliation, you may still vote for the nonpartisan races.



Primary elections are also important for partisan offices. These offices include US Senate, US Representative, State Senate, State Representative, Sheriff, and County Commissioners. If a candidate does not win the Primary, they will not appear on the ballot in November. Florida is a **CLOSED PRIMARY** state, which means in order to vote in a partisan primary election, you must be a registered voter in the party (either Democrat or Republican) for which the primary is being held. This is why it is important to indicate your preferred party affiliation at the time you register. If you leave the field blank on the registration form, you will be registered without party affiliation.

Do you know your current party affiliation?

- View your voter registration here: [My Voter Info](#)
- Update your party affiliation or residence address here: [Online Voter Registration](#)

Vote By Mail Information:

Any registered and eligible voter may choose to Vote-By-Mail. The deadline to request a Vote-By-Mail ballot is **August 8, 2024**, at 5:00 p.m. Vote-by-Mail ballots must be received in the Elections

Office no later than 7:00 p.m. on Election Day, August 20, 2024. Voters may place a request for a mail ballot by phone, (386) 313-4170 or online: [Request a mail ballot.](#)


Early Voting

Any registered and eligible voter may vote early in this election. Early voting will be held August 10 - August 17, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. at four locations in Flagler County.



Early Voting Locations

There are four early voting sites in Flagler County.

 Flagler County Government
Services Building

**FLAGLER COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF
ELECTIONS OFFICE**
1769 E. Moody Boulevard
Building 2, Suite 101

Bunnell, FL 32110

 [View this location on a map](#)

 Flagler County Public Library

FLAGLER COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

2500 Palm Coast Parkway NW

Palm Coast, FL 32137

 [View this location on a map](#)

 Palm Coast Community Center

PALM COAST COMMUNITY CENTER

305 Palm Coast Parkway NE

Palm Coast, FL 32137

 [View this location on a map](#)

 FB United Methodist Church

FLAGLER BEACH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

1520 S. Daytona Avenue

Flagler Beach, FL 32136

 [View this location on a map](#)

More information: [Early Voting in Flagler County](#)

Election Day Voting

Election Day is the last day to vote. Registered voters who choose to vote on Election Day must cast their ballot at their assigned polling place. Polls are always open from 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. on Election Day. Refer to your Voter Information Card to find the name and address of your polling place or visit [FlaglerElections.gov/precinct-finder](https://www.flaglerelections.gov/precinct-finder)

PRECINCT CHANGES FOR ELECTION DAY VOTERS ONLY

Precinct 101 - G.W. Carver Center

This change will affect voters who live in Grand Reserve, the City of Bunnell, Espanola, and areas of unincorporated Bunnell who previously voted at Bunnell City Hall. The previous location has not been renovated and is not available for the elections this year.

 G.W. Carver Center in Bunnell

G.W. Carver Center Gym

201 E. Drain Street
Bunnell, FL 32110

Precinct 103 - Korona Fire Station

This change will affect voters who live in Plantation Bay, Eagle Rock Estates, areas of unincorporated Bunnell, Korona, Favoretta, and Rima Ridge in the southeastern portion of Flagler County who previously voted at Community Baptist Church on Old Dixie Highway in Bunnell. The previous location did not renew their polling location contract.

 Korona Fire Station in Bunnell

Korona Fire Station

5820 US Highway 1 S
Bunnell, FL 32110

THESE CHANGES WILL NOT AFFECT VOTERS WHO CHOOSE TO CAST THEIR BALLOT EARLY OR BY MAIL.

Save The Date: Candidate Meet & Greet

The Flagler County Elections Office is conducting voter registration and a candidate straw poll in conjunction with the Candidate Meet & Greet hosted by the Flagler Tiger Bay Club on June 27, 2024. This is a great opportunity for residents to register to vote, update their voter registration, and meet the candidates! Straw poll results will be available at 8:30 PM.



LOCAL AND STATE CANDIDATE MEET & GREET

As part of Flagler Tiger Bay Club's voter education program, we are hosting a **Candidate Meet and Greet on June 27, 2024**. This is your opportunity to meet, speak with, gather information, and educate yourself about the people who want to govern our local communities. As it stands today, approximately 70% or more of the 2024 Flagler local office positions will be filled at or before the August 2024 Primary Election.

Make this a must attend event on your calendar.

Date: Thursday, June 27, 2024

Time: 5:30 – 8:30 PM

Where: Palm Coast Community Center

What: Flagler Tiger Bay Club Candidate Meet and Greet

- No cost to attend.
- Flagler Tiger Bay Club Straw poll candidate vote, and results conducted by Flagler County Supervisor of Elections.
- Voter Registration conducted by Flagler County Supervisor of Elections.
- Voter Registration verification conducted by Flagler County Supervisor of Elections.
- Food available for purchase from Chick-fil-A.
- Media Spin Room.

Flagler Tiger Bay Club is a nonpartisan political club.

The club does not support or endorse candidates nor advocate or take sides on issues.

2024 Constitutional Amendments

This is the final list of proposed Constitutional Amendments that will appear on the November 2024 ballot.

No.	Title	Sponsor
1	<u>PARTISAN ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF DISTRICT</u>	<u>The Florida Legislature/House</u> (H

SCHOOL BOARDSJR 31)

- | | | |
|----------|--|---|
| 2 | <u>RIGHT TO FISH AND HUNT</u> | <u>The Florida Legislature/House (H JR 1157)</u> |
| 3 | <u>Adult Personal Use of Marijuana</u> | <u>Smart & Safe Florida</u> |
| 4 | <u>Amendment to Limit Government Interference with Abortion</u> | <u>Floridians Protecting Freedom, Inc.</u> |
| 5 | <u>ANNUAL ADJUSTMENTS TO THE VALUE OF CERTAIN HOMESTEAD EXEMPTIONS</u> | <u>The Florida Legislature/House (H JR 7017)</u> |
| 6 | <u>REPEAL OF PUBLIC CAMPAIGN FINANCING REQUIREMENT</u> | <u>The Florida Legislature/Senate (S JR 1114)</u> |

The amendments listed with HJR in the Sponsor column (No. 1, No. 2, No. 5, and No. 6) were created and added to the ballot through a House Joint Resolution by the Florida Legislature. This is the only method the Legislature may propose changes to the state Constitution.

In Florida, the people also have a right to propose amendments to the Florida Constitution through an initiative petition process. In addition to other requirements, this process requires petitions to be signed by registered Florida voters before the proposed amendment can appear on the ballot. In order to get a proposed amendment by initiative on the 2024 General Election

ballot, a petition must be signed by 891,523 voters and the signatures must come from a number of electors in each of one-half of the congressional districts of the state, and of the state as a whole, equal to eight percent of the votes cast in each of such districts respectively and in the state as a whole in the last preceding election in which presidential electors were chosen. Proposed Constitutional Amendments No. 2 and No. 4 are citizens initiatives which made ballot position for the 2024 General Election.

Offices Up For Election in 2024

There are many Federal, state, multi-county, county and local offices up for election in 2024. View the election schedule and more information here: [Upcoming Elections in Flagler County](#)

FEDERAL OFFICES

- United States President and Vice President
- United States Senator
- United States Representative, District 6

STATE & MULTI-COUNTY OFFICES

- State Senator, District 7
- State Representative, District 19

JUDICIAL OFFICES

- State Attorney

- Public Defender
- Retention of Supreme Court Justices and 5th District Court of Appeal Judges, whose terms expire
- Retention of Circuit 7 Court Judges, whose terms expire, group numbers: 1, 8, 9, 12, 15, 16, 21
- County Court Judge, Group 1

COUNTY OFFICES

- County Commissioners, Districts 1, 3, 5
- Sheriff
- Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller
- Tax Collector
- Property Appraiser
- Supervisor of Elections
- School Board Members, Districts 3, 5

SPECIAL DISTRICTS

- East Flagler Mosquito Control, Seats 1, 2, 3
- Deer Run CDD, Seats 3, 4, 5
- Dunes CDD, Seats 2, 3, 4
- Grand Haven CDD, Seats 2, 3, 4
- Tomoka CDD, Seats 1, 2
- Town Center of Palm Coast CDD, Seats 2, 4, 5

CITY & TOWN OFFICES

- City of Flagler Beach: Mayor and 1 City Commissioner
- City of Palm Coast: Mayor and Council Members, Districts 1, 3
- Town of Beverly Beach: 2 Town Commissioners



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2024 Election Dates

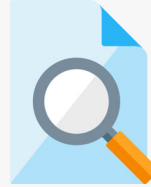
Save the dates below!

2024 Primary Election	
Election Day:	Tuesday, August 20, 2024
Voter Registration & Party Change Deadline:	Monday, July 22, 2024
2024 General Election	
Election Day:	Tuesday, November 5, 2024
Voter Registration Deadline:	Monday, October 7, 2024

2024 Local Candidates

Did you know that all local candidates are given the opportunity to share their biography and

other information with the public on the Elections Office website? You can also see their campaign finances, including donors and expenditures. Many of the candidates have created their own campaign website, which we provide if it is available, so you can learn more about their platforms, ideas, and backgrounds.



Do your research and make an informed choice!

[View Local Candidates](#)

Upcoming Events



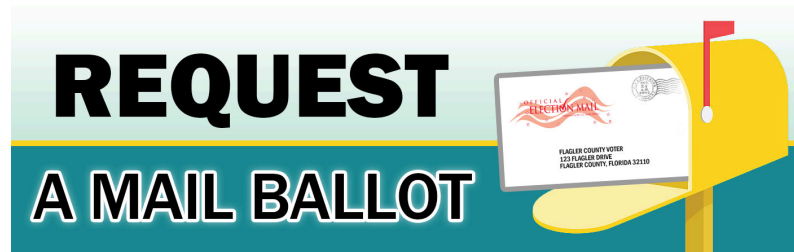
Date	Time	Event	Location
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Thursday, June 27	5:30 PM - 8:30 PM	Candidate Meet & Greet	Palm Coast Community Center
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Mail Ballot Request Expiration

A voter must request a mail ballot for **each election year**. At this time, a request for mail ballots is good through the end of the year 2024.

Renewing your request is easy! Call (386) 313-4170, stop by the office, or renew your request online. Voters are welcomed to use our Mail Ballot Request Service online here: [Request A Mail Ballot](#)



Sign up for Ballot Trax!

Do you vote by mail? Sign up for our new ballot tracking service and follow your ballot all the way from printed and mailed ➡ to received and counted! ✓

BallotTrax is a secure communication system that helps voters track their Vote-By-Mail ballots. BallotTrax has the capability to send text, email, and voicemail notifications reporting the status of a voter's ballot during an election. The tracking service will provide the following notifications:

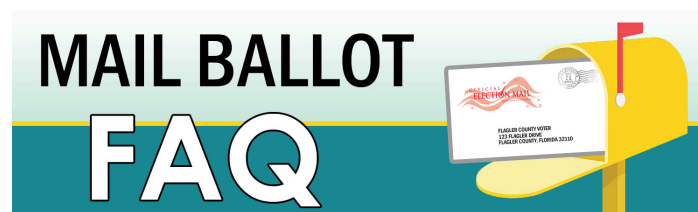
- Printed and being mailed soon
- Ballot has been mailed
- Received and counted
- Received and not counted
- Returned as undeliverable



The system does not change or update voter registration. It uses information available from the USPS to track outgoing and received mail, and voter registration information that is made available via public record.

Sign up today: [Flagler County Ballot Trax System](#)

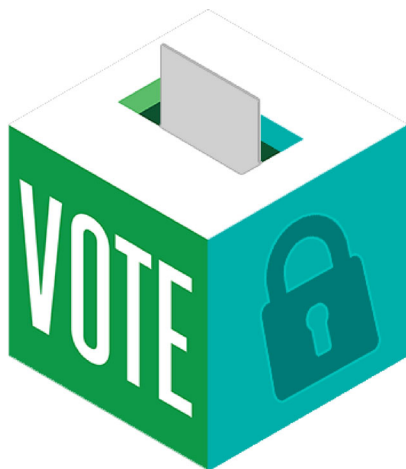
Also, learn more about how mail ballots are verified and counted: [Mail Ballot FAQ](#)



Flagler Election Security

Want to help improve voter confidence? Or maybe your own? Here are some ideas.

- Encourage anyone with questions to contact the Elections Office directly
- Share only verified, accurate information on social media
- Get involved - become a [poll worker!](#)
- Contact your local political party to learn how you can serve as a poll watcher



What are we doing to secure your vote?

Start here:

- Election Security:
<https://www.flaglerelections.com/security>
- Mail Ballot FAQ:
<https://www.flaglerelections.com/How-To-Vote/Mail-Ballot-FAQ>

CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE DESIGNATION

Our nation's elections were designated as [critical infrastructure](#) by the Department of Homeland Security in January 2017. This important designation allows local election officials many free resources, including access to the latest cybersecurity intelligence information from the DHS. The Flagler County Elections Office has developed a strong partnership with the DHS to improve our cyber and physical security protections.

NETWORK SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS SINCE 2015:

- All new, state-of-the-art voting system components:
 - (tabulators, data and comm servers, software, high-speed ballot scanners, electronic poll books)
- All new, state-of-the-art office server components:
 - (data servers, software, hardware)
- Backup recovery systems both offsite and onsite
- Private network for results reporting
- Network user-based directory access permissions
- Vulnerability scanning, weekly third-party scanning of our external IP's
- Two-factor authentication (2FA) methods for all systems and accounts which support it
- Firewall settings updates including whitelisting, port scanning
- Updated network switches
- DMARC email authentication protocols (Domain-based Message Authentication, Reporting & Conformance)
- Intrusion Prevention System (IPS) and Intrusion Detection System (IDS)

- Auditable physical access control system
- Complete IT asset inventory, including ports, drives, hardware, software
- Log scanning, encryption, and storage
- Dot gov (.gov) web domain
- IT Incident Response Plan
- Acceptable use and information security policies for staff
- Staff training, so much training: phishing awareness, cyber best practices, IT certifications, FBI/DHS tabletop exercises, regional meetings, and more.

Recently, we have established a backup connection to the state Voter Registration System (FVRS). We have also installed RFID (badge cards) for auditable access controls to sensitive areas in the office and plan to complete our implementation of the CIS ([Center for Internet Security](#)) controls.

Please contact me directly if you have any questions regarding election security.

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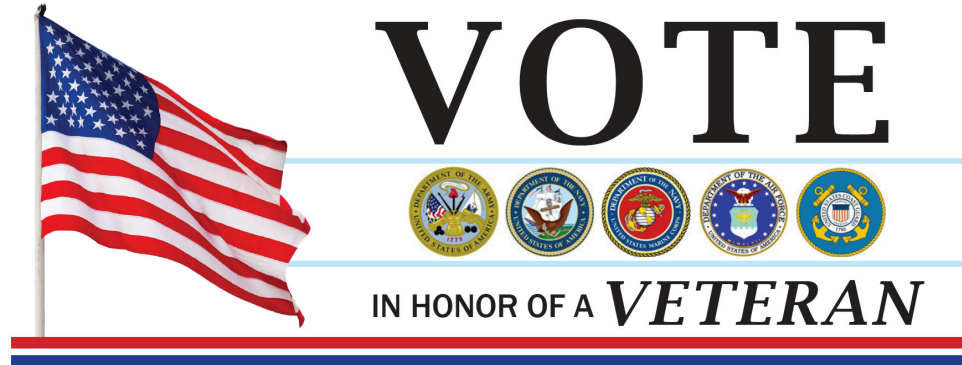
Supervisor of Elections

Phone: (386) 313-4170

Email: [Contact Form](#)



Veteran's Wall of Honor



Our veteran photos are now organized by branch of service. The seals for each branch are above each section, so our veterans can be more easily found and identified. A presidential quote regarding military service or sacrifice is featured beneath each section. The family wall is a new addition, which groups family members together. Here are some photos of the updates, please stop by the office to see them in person!

We encourage all military service members in Flagler County to add their photo to our Wall of Honor!

US Army Wall of Honor



US Air Force Wall of Honor



US Navy and US Marine Corps Wall of Honor



US Coast Guard Wall of Honor



Family Wall of Honor



Have you (or a family member) served in the US military? We need your service photo for the Wall of Honor! See more details below about our Vote in Honor of a Veteran program.

How To Submit A Veteran Photo:

Is there a special veteran in your life that you would like to become a part of our Vote in Honor of a Veteran program? Please complete and submit the [Veteran Biography Form](#). We accept submissions from all Flagler County citizens and their families who have served or are currently serving in the US Armed Forces. Photos of family members can be placed next to each other, if you prefer.

The completed form and photo of veteran can be returned to the Flagler Elections office via mail, email or by bringing it to the office in person. If you have an original photo and need it to be duplicated, please visit the Elections Office so we may scan and print a duplicate copy for the wall.

Share Your Story!

If you are a Veteran and would like to share why you think it is important to vote, please let us know! We would like to include you in our outreach activities. We visit area high schools to conduct voter registration drives and attend numerous festivals throughout the year. Your personal story may encourage our next generation or maybe someone who is eligible but has not yet participated in elections to get out and VOTE!

More information: [Wall of Honor - Vote in Honor of a Veteran](#)



Quick Links:

[View Local Candidates](#)

[Update Your Voter Registration](#)

[Become A Poll Worker](#)

[Learn More About Election Security](#)

[Request A Mail Ballot](#)




Flagler County Active Registered Voters

Republicans: 45,165 | Democrats: 23,479 | NPA: 21,286 | Minor Parties: 2,801

Total: 92,731

As of May 30, 2024



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