EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE!

TO VOTE ABSENTEE
You can vote before election day! Request an absentee ballot online.
All registered voters in Michigan can now vote before election day using what's called an absentee ballot. You don't need an excuse or a reason. You can vote by absentee ballot through the mail, without leaving your home. You can also go to the city clerk's office or drop box to return your absentee ballot.

How do I apply for an absentee ballot?
An application for an absentee ballot was mailed to every registered voter in Michigan. If you did not receive one or cannot find it, you can:
• Call the city elections department or the city clerk and ask that an application be mailed to you.
• Download an application to return by mail or in person to the elections department.

When is the deadline to apply for an absentee ballot?
Requests for an absent voter ballot must be received by the Department of Elections no later than 5 p.m. the Friday before the election. If you're registered at your current address, you can request an absent voter ballot in person anytime up to 4 p.m. on the day prior to the election.

If you're registering to vote or updating your address, you can request an absent voter ballot in person anytime up to 4 p.m. on the day prior to the election.

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TO VOTE IN PERSON
You can vote in person at an assigned polling place near where you live. Use this page to learn more about voting in a polling place. Call the clerk's office before you go, as some locations may change because of COVID-19.
Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. local time. You have the right to vote if you are in line by 8 p.m.

Do I need an ID?
You will be asked to show ID when you check in to vote. If you don't have one, you can still vote. If this happens, expect a poll worker to ask you to sign a form before you vote that explains you didn't have an ID. Your ballot will be included with all others and counted on election day.

ID types you can use to check in are:
• Michigan driver's license or state ID
• Driver's license or personal identification card issued by another state
• Federal or state government-issued photo identification
• U.S. passport
• Military ID with photo
• Student identification with photo from a high school or accredited institution of higher learning

Where do I go to vote?
If you're registered to vote, you can now...
General Election Q&A

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address by appearing at the elections department on election day, you can request an absentee voter ballot at the same time you register. If you request your AV ballot the day before the election or on election day, you must vote the ballot in the clerk’s office or at the elections department.

When do I need to deliver my ballot?
Your completed absentee ballot must be received by the clerk or the elections department by 8 p.m. on election day. Begin the process early by mailing in the application for an absentee ballot as soon as possible. The application for the general election can be submitted now.

What if I have an emergency on election day?
If an emergency, like a sudden illness or family death prevents you from reaching the polls on election day, you may request an emergency absent voter ballot. Requests for an emergency ballot must be submitted after the deadline for regular absent voter ballots has passed but before 4 p.m. on election day.

The emergency must have occurred at a time which made it impossible for you to apply for a regular absent voter ballot. Contact your city clerk or the elections department for more information about emergency absent voter ballots.

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look up your specific voting location in the voter information section. Go to Michigan.gov/sos and find the Michigan Voter Information Center in order to find your polling location.

Can I vote if I’m incarcerated?
You cannot vote while serving a sentence in jail or prison. You are eligible to vote by absentee ballot in jail while awaiting arraignment or trial. Michigan allows a voter to cast an absentee ballot. Completed absentee ballots must be returned to the clerk’s office by 8 p.m. on election day.

Can I vote while I’m on parole or probation?
Yes, voting rights are automatically restored upon release from incarceration. The only time your criminal record will preclude you from casting a vote in Michigan is while you’re serving a sentence for a conviction in jail or prison.

Satellite Voting Locations
District 1 WCCCD Northwest Campus, 8200 W. Outer Drive, Detroit, MI 48219; District 2 Northwest Activity Center, 18100 Meyers Road, Detroit, MI 48235; District 7 Adams Butzel Recreation Complex, 10500 Lyndon St., Detroit, MI.
Contact the Department of Elections, 2978 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit, MI 48202 for more information. Also, call the clerk’s office at (313) 224-3270 before you go, as some locations may change because of COVID-19. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

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