FAQ: COVID-19 Impact on Georgia Voting

Answers to many frequently asked questions about the impact of coronavirus on the Georgia elections are below. For additional information, please call the Democratic Party of Georgia’s Voter Protection Hotline: 888-730-5816.

Georgia’s Presidential Primary is postponed until May 19, with early voting scheduled to resume on April 27.

Georgia’s Secretary of State postponed the Presidential Primary, originally scheduled for March 24. The Presidential Primary is now scheduled for May 19, the same previously-scheduled date as the regular primary for a U.S. Senate seat and many other offices.

- The initial in-person early vote period for the Presidential Primary ended Saturday, March 14 and will resume on April 27.
- If you have already received a Vote-by-Mail ballot, you can choose to submit it before March 24, or wait to vote a new ballot in May. All votes already cast will be counted.
- All early in-person and Vote-by-Mail ballot votes that have already been cast, or that are received by county election offices by March 24, will be counted.
- These voters should request a Vote-by-Mail ballot for the May 19 primaries in order to vote in the non-Presidential primaries.

All voters should act now to request a Vote-by-Mail ballot for the May 19 primaries.

Due to the uncertainty about conditions in May, all voters should request Vote-by-Mail ballots for the May 19 primaries.

- All voters can download a Vote-by-Mail application here (http://bit.ly/vbmballotapp).
- Step-by-step Vote-by-Mail application instructions for Georgia voters who are over 65 years old, disabled, or live overseas are available here (http://bit.ly/VBMbsbs65).
- Vote-by-Mail APPLICATIONS may be mailed, faxed, or emailed to the county in which a voter is registered. Addresses for each county are different, but information for Fulton, DeKalb, Gwinnett, and Cobb are listed in the instructions linked above.
- Vote-by-Mail BALLOTS must be returned by mail (two stamps!) or in person, and must be received by your county before May 17.
Voter registration will reopen for the Presidential Primary through April 20.

The voter registration deadline for the combined May 19 primaries is April 20. Voters who register by April 20 will be eligible to vote in all May 19 primaries, including the Presidential Primary if they have not already cast a ballot in that primary.

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