



Vote by Mail Application May 5, 2026 Primary Election
MAIL TO: Hamilton County Board of Elections, 4700 Smith Rd, Cincinnati, OH 45212

REQUIRED PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE:

Mail Ballot to: (if different from current (home) address)

Voter's Name, Current (home) Address, City, Village, or Twp, County, Zip Code, Phone (recommended)

Name, Care of/PO Box, Address, City, State, Zip Code, Email (recommended)

REQUIRED DATE OF BIRTH & IDENTIFICATION:

Birth Date: month / day / year

Provide ONE of the following forms of Identification:

- The last four digits of your social security number OR Your Ohio driver's license number or state ID card number: OR A COPY of a different form of current photo identification

REQUIRED You must choose ONE ballot type:

- Democratic Party Ballot, Republican Party Ballot, Libertarian Party Ballot, Issues Only (Mt. Healthy School District, North College Hill School District, Southwest Local School District, City of Reading & Delhi Township)

- I wish to vote in the Primary Election to be held Tuesday, May 5, 2026
I understand that, per Ohio law, the board of elections must receive this request no later than 8:30pm on April 28, 2026.
I understand that if an absentee ballot is mailed to me and I change my mind and go to my polling place to vote on Election Day, I will be required to vote a provisional ballot.
I understand that if I do not provide the board with all of the required information, my application cannot be processed.
I hereby declare, under penalty of election falsification, that I am a qualified elector and the statements above are true.

Signature X

Today's Date

WHOEVER COMMITS ELECTION FALSIFICATION IS GUILTY OF A FELONY OF THE FIFTH DEGREE

TO ENSURE YOUR ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST IS RECEIVED, PLEASE DO THE FOLLOWING:

- Ensure that all fields are complete.
- If requesting a ballot for a primary election, and you wish to vote in a party's primary election, make sure you have checked your desired party. If you do not wish to affiliate with a political party or to vote in their primary, choose "Issues Only".
Note: Not all districts have an issue on the ballot -- see "Issues Only" option for districts with an issue.
- Sign and date your form.
- Mail the completed form to the Hamilton County Board of Elections, or return the completed form in person to the Hamilton County Board of Elections office - 4700 Smith Rd, Cincinnati, Ohio 45212. This form **MUST** be received by the Board of Elections by **8:30pm on April 28, 2026**.
- If you have additional questions, please call the Board: 513-946-8539 or 513-946-8544

NEXT STEPS:

- Once the Board of Elections receives your absentee ballot request, the board will process your request and mail your ballot to your address.
- You can track your request and your ballot online at VoteHamiltonCountyOhio.gov and click Track Vote By Mail Ballot

How to Return Your Absentee Ballot

Ohio law requires all absentee ballots to be received by 7:30 p.m. on Election Day under one of the following options:

- **BY MAIL:** Insert your completed ID envelope (with voted ballot inside) into the return envelope, and return it with affixed postage to the Hamilton County Board of Elections as soon as possible to allow for postal delivery by 7:30 p.m. on Election Day.
- **IN PERSON TO THE DROP BOX:** Insert your completed ID envelope (with voted ballot inside) into the return envelope, and return it in person without postage to the drop box located at the Hamilton County Board of Elections by 7:30 p.m. on Election Day.
- **IN PERSON AT THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS OFFICE:** Insert your completed ID envelope (with voted ballot inside) into the return envelope, and return it in person without postage to the Hamilton County Board of Elections office by 7:30 p.m. on Election Day. Only you or a near relative* may deliver your ballot. A voter who is disabled may select anyone to deliver their ballot, other than their employer or an officer in their union. The person delivering a ballot for either a family member or a voter with a disability **MUST** complete an attestation form at the Board of Elections office (Form 12-P). For office hours, please visit VoteHamiltonCountyOhio.gov

If you are a member of the uniformed services or an overseas United States voter, ballots must be received by the fourth day after Election Day. Sign your identification envelope by the close of polls on Election Day or return it in person by 7:30 p.m. on Election Day.

You must complete this form yourself unless you are unable to do so due to disability, illiteracy, or blindness.

**Near relative includes the voter's spouse or the voter's father, mother, father-in-law, mother-in-law, grandfather, grandmother, brother, or sister of the whole or half blood, or the son, daughter, adopting parent, adopted child, stepparent, stepchild, uncle, aunt, nephew, or niece (R.C. 3509.05).*