



Macon County Board of Elections

ELECTION BULLETIN

DATES TO REMEMBER

Absentee Ballots Available
Monday, September 15, 2008

Voter Registration Deadline
Friday, October 10, 2008

One-Stop Voting Begins
Thursday, October 16, 2008

One-Stop Voting Ends
Saturday, November 1, 2008
Ends at 1:00 PM

Absentee Ballots Request Deadline
Tuesday, October 28, 2008

Absentee Ballots Must Be Received In Office
Monday, November 3, 2008
5:00 PM deadline

General Election Day
Tuesday, November 4, 2008
Polls open at 6:30 AM
Polls close at 7:30 PM



How to Vote in North Carolina

North Carolina's and Macon County's General Election will take place on **Tuesday, November 4, 2008**. Voters can cast their ballots in 3 different ways: absentee by mail, one-stop early voting, and at the polls on Election Day.

Absentee by Mail: A registered voter of Macon County or near relative must request in writing or in person to the Macon County Board of Elections that a paper ballot to be mailed to the voter. Requests must include voter name, address (as registered), address to mail ballot (if different), date of birth, and signature. Requests must be received by Tuesday, October 28, 2008. The Elections Office will begin mailing requested ballots on Monday, September 15, 2008. Voted ballots must be returned by mail or in-person (by voter or near relative) to the Macon County Elections office by 5:00 PM, Monday, November 3, 2008. Voted ballots must be in the **official absentee envelope, which requires the address and signature of two witnesses and the voter**.

One-Stop Early Voting: Voters may vote their ballot between Thursday, October 16 and Saturday, November 1, 2008 at the one-stop voting location. Voters state their name and address, then complete the one-stop voting application before receiving a ballot. New legislation in North Carolina also allows unregistered voters to register during the one-stop voting period and vote the same day.

At the Polls on Election Day: Voters who have registered to vote before the close of registration (Friday, October 10, 2008), may vote on Election Day at their assigned polling location, which is based on the voter's place of residence. Voters are required to state their name, address, before receiving their ballot.

To register to vote or for more information, please contact

Macon County Board of Elections

(828) 349-2034 • 5 W. Main St., Franklin, NC 28734

www.maconnc.org/elections

Sara R. Waldroop, Chair • **Peggy Patterson, Secretary** • **Russell Bowling, Member**

Kim Bishop, Director • Debbie George, Deputy Director

Update Your Records, Vote More Quickly

Voters must keep the Board of Elections informed of changes in:

- Name
- Address (within the county or from another county/state)
- Party Affiliation.

Failure to report these changes may increase the time you are at the polls and create longer lines for all voters.



Macon County Voting Locations

Voting locations are assigned to the voter based on the voter's place of residence. This information should be kept current with the Board of Elections to insure a smooth voting process. A voter's voting location is indicated on their voter registration card (NOTE: you are not required to present this card to vote), which is mailed at the time of registration. If you no longer have this card, you may contact the Board of Elections at (828) 349-2034 or visit the NC State Board of Elections website www.sboe.state.nc.us to determine your voting location.

Election Day Voting Locations

North Franklin	Southwestern Comm. College (beside Courthouse)
South Franklin	Old Macon County Library
East Franklin	Macon County Environmental Resource Center
Iotla	Iotla Elementary School
Union	Community Building
Millshoal	Holly Springs Community Building
Ellijay	Cullasaja Elementary School
Sugarfork	Pine Grove Community Building
Highlands	Highlands Civic Center
Flats	Scaly Mountain Community Center
Smithbridge	Otto Community Building
Cartoogechaye	West Macon Fire and Rescue
Nantahala	Nantahala Elementary School
Burningtown	Burningtown Community Building
Cowee	Cowee Elementary School

EAST FRANKLIN AND CARTOOGECHAYE HAVE NEW POLLING LOCATIONS.

One-Stop Voting Location: Macon County Elections Office/Courthouse

This site is open to voters between Thursday, October 16 through Saturday, November 1, 2008 **only**.

***If you do not vote during the one-stop voting period or by absentee by mail, you must vote at your assigned voting location on Election Day.**

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