

## **NOVEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2020 GENERAL ELECTION NOTICE**

Macon County, NC will conduct a General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020. All registered voters in Macon County may participate in this Election regardless of their party affiliation. Voter ID will NOT BE REQUIRED for this Election. Due to a court order the ID requirements have been put on hold.

**All 15 polling locations will be open on Election Day for this Election. All locations will be taking COVID-19 precautions. Masks, gloves, shields, sanitizer etc. will be available at all precincts for the poll-workers and the voters.**

Polls on Election Day will open at 6:30am-7:30pm. Voters must go to their assigned polling locations on Election Day to cast a ballot. If you need help with your polling location, contact the Board of Elections office 828-349-2034.

Absentee by mail for the General Election begins September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 and ends on October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Voters must request and complete a State Absentee ballot request form and send it back to the Board of Elections Office and your ballot and instructions will be sent to your home. Any registered voter can apply for an absentee ballot to be mailed to them. An absentee request form can be found on our website or you may contact the Board of Elections office and they will mail one to you.

Absentee ballots can be mailed back to the BOE office, or dropped off at an early voting site, or you can bring it to the BOE office in person.

SAMPLE BALLOTS will be posted to the website as soon as they are available. The Board of Elections office will also have copies if you would like to stop by and pick one up.

For information on Candidates please contact your party chairs:

- Republican party located on the Highlands Road
- Democratic party located on Palmer Street 349-3113

The voter registration deadline is October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 5:00pm. No party changes can be made after this date. In a General Election all voters receive the same ballot regardless of their party affiliation. All Candidates are listed on the ballot for all parties.

Same-day registration will be available at the early voting locations for those who are not currently registered and have missed the voter registration deadline. You may register to vote and vote in the same day with the proper documents. Same day registration is NOT available on Election Day.

One-Stop Early voting will begin October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020-October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020. Macon County will have 2 early voting locations; you may cast your vote at either location during the one stop period regardless of your precinct location. The hours will be Monday-Friday 8:00am-7:30pm and the first 2 Saturdays 8:00am-6:00pm, and the last Saturday 8:00am-3:00pm at both locations. The locations are as follows:

- The Macon County Robert C. Carpenter Community Building located at 1288 Georgia Road, Franklin, NC 28734
- The Highlands Civic Center located at 600 N. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Highlands, NC 28741

Curbside voting is available at both early voting locations for those who are unable to enter the precinct for any reason. Your ballot will be brought out to your vehicle for your convenience. Curbside voting is also available on Election Day at all polling locations.

The Absentee Board Meeting will be held on Election Day in the Board of Elections office at 5:00pm per general statute. No results are made public until 7:30pm. Results for Macon County are posted on the NCSBOE website or on the Macon County Board of Elections website. Click on Election results, and you will see the updated results as they are made public throughout the night.

Canvass will be held in the Board of Elections Office on November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 11:00am. Canvass is where the Election is made Official.

If you have any questions contact the Macon County Board of Elections office 828-349-2034.

Even during a pandemic Macon County Board of Elections is committed to conducting fair, honest, impartial and efficient elections so that all qualified citizens may exercise their right to vote.