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Elections Office Outline Late and Same Day Registration Processes

The Missoula County Elections Office has been receiving many voter registration cards by mail from those wanting to cast their ballot for the upcoming June 7 primary election. While it is great to see so many engaged in the process, the Elections Office wants to remind our community that the close of voter registration within the State of Montana is 30 days prior to the election. This means that if the Elections Office did not receive a citizen's registration on or before May 9, 2016, that late and same-day voter registration requirements apply.

Late and same-day registration requires the registrant to appear in-person at the Elections Office to register and receive a ballot. Those who registered earlier this year are encouraged to verify their status by visiting www.MyVoterPageMT.com. This site also allows voters to verify their polling place location, view sample ballots and track the status of their absentee ballot. The deadline for registered voters to request a ballot before Election Day is Monday, June 6 at noon. Voters who miss this deadline must appear at their polling place on Election Day.

The Missoula County Elections Office urges voters to take advantage of extended hours the week before Election Day. Offices are open from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and will be open Saturday, June 4 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. to best assist voters before Election Day.

Forty-one percent of Missoula County voters vote by mail. As of today, 32,187 ballots have been received by the Elections Office. We are currently seeing a 50 percent turnout rate and expect June 7 to be record-breaking primary.

Absentee ballots are due by 8 p.m. on Election Day, June 7. Absentee ballots can be delivered in-person to the Courthouse or Fairgrounds now through Election Day. On Election Day, absentee ballots can be dropped off at any polling place location.

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The Missoula County Elections office is under the leadership of the Elections Administrator. The office is responsible for conducting fair and honest elections, and works to meet the needs of 75,000 Missoula County voters. The Election Advisory Committee is made up of citizen volunteers advocating for fair, robust and trustworthy elections. The Elections office is located within the first floor of the courthouse.