# NEW YORK VOTES 3 WAYS IN JUNE

New Yorkers now have more options than ever to vote this June: absentee, early or on Election Day. IMPORTANT REMINDER: You can only vote in a primary if you are affiliated with a political party.

### **GENERAL FAQ**

How can I vote in June?

New Yorkers can vote one of three ways: absentee, early or on Election Day.

# Will polls be open on Election Day?

Yes!

I don't feel comfortable going to the polls because of COVID-19, what are my alternatives? New Yorkers can vote absentee for the June primary if they have contracted COVID or are worried about potential exposure.

# Ok, so what's on the ballot this June?

The presidential primary is back on! We'll also have congressional, state and local primaries for both parties. In New York City, the offices of the Queens Borough President and City Council District 37 will have a primary election on June 23rd in lieu of the special elections. The presidential primary is scheduled to be on the ballot but this could change due to ongoing litigation.

# Why did I hear that the June 23rd primary had been cancelled?

The June primary has NOT been cancelled. There was some back and forth over the presidential primary but it's back on!

#### ABSENTEE FAO

#### Who can vote absentee?

Any registered voter who is affiliated in a political party with a competitive primary.

#### How do I vote absentee?

Absentee voting in New York is a two step process. You must first request an absentee ballot and use the reason "Temporary Illness" which is extended to all New Yorkers because of the coronavirus pandemic. Eligible voters with competitive primaries will receive an absentee ballot application in the mail along with a prepaid return envelope. You can also request an absentee ballot online or via email, phone or fax from your county Board of Elections. Once requested, your absentee ballot will be mailed to you before the election, which you can either mail back in or deliver to your local Board of Elections.

- Read our detailed instructions first
- Find your county here and follow the instructions on how to apply for an absentee ballot.

#### Is there a deadline to apply for an absentee ballot?

Yes, New York voters must apply for an absentee ballot by June 16th.

#### When will I receive my absentee ballot in the mail?

NYC voters have already begun to receive their absentee ballots, starting on or around May 8th, and will continue to do so on a rolling basis. Voters outside of NYC will need to contact their local Board of Elections as this will vary by county.

#### Is there a deadline to return my absentee ballot?

Yes, absentee ballots must be postmarked by June 22nd and must reach the Board of Elections no later than June 30th in order to be counted.

#### **EARLY VOTING FAQ**

#### When is early voting for the June primary?

Early voting is from June 13th to June 21st.

# Where/when can I vote early?

Your early voting poll site is probably different from your election day poll site, and hours vary by location. Find it here:

- New York City
- Outside New York City

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