

Will you vote...

By mail? In person early? In person on Election Day?

It's a good idea to plan ahead!

If you use a mail-in ballot, return your completed ballot as soon as possible by USPS, secure drop box, or in person:

- **USPS:** Your ballot must be postmarked by November 3, but don't wait until the last minute! It is best to allow at least two weeks for your completed ballot to reach the election authority. Check related information on the reverse side of this flyer.
- **Secure drop box:** Your county will post on its web site the secure drop boxes' locations, dates they will be available, and other helpful information. The dates and locations will vary; many secure drop boxes will be inside early voting locations starting October 19. No postage will be needed to return your completed ballot via drop box. ID may be requested.
- **In person delivery to an election authority:** Check your county's web site for locations and office hours.

If you wish to vote in person before Election Day:

Early voting is widely available October 19 - November 2, though a few locations begin earlier. Check your county's web site for updated information.



Go to: <https://www.cookcountyclerk.com/service/early-voting-locations>

Go to: <https://www.lakecountyil.gov/4322/early-voting>



If you wish to vote in person on Election Day, Tuesday, November 3:

Vote on November 3 at your assigned precinct. Verify the location before you go because some polling locations have been changed for this election.

Still need to register to vote or to confirm your registration?

Go to the Illinois Online Voter Registration Application website as soon as you can because the online voter registration system will close at 11:59 p.m. on October 18, 2020.



Go to <https://ova.elections.il.gov>

Have you applied for your Vote by Mail ballot?

Your application must be received by October 29, but don't wait! Due to possible mail processing delays, USPS recommends application no later than October 19. If you apply online, Suburban Cook County will notify you via email when your ballot has been mailed to you, when it receives your completed ballot, or if it has a question.



Go to: <https://www.cookcountyclerk.com/agency/vote-mail>

Go to <https://www.lakecountyil.gov/4472/Vote-by-Mail-in-November-2020>



About your Vote by Mail ballot:

- Instructions will accompany your ballot. Read and carefully follow those instructions.
- Be careful not to mar the ballot or its envelope. Be sure to seal the envelope.
- The signature on your ballot will be verified and must match your signature that is on record with your county.
- First time voters who registered by mail or online *may* need to include photocopies of acceptable ID with their ballot. Refer to the instructions included with the ballot.
- If you rely on a family member or other trusted person to return your ballot, a form that is included with the ballot must be completed; both of you must sign it.
- Voters returning Vote by Mail ballots addressed to Lake County may need to purchase and affix the proper postage. Suburban Cook County ballots will have prepaid postage.
- Remember: Your ballot must be physically returned or postmarked by November 3. Be aware that mail placed in a mailbox may not be postmarked that same day.
- Don't wait until the last minute!

Changed your mind about voting by mail?

That's OK. If you request a mail-in ballot and do not use it, you must bring the ballot and its envelope to your voting location and turn it in so you can vote in person with a regular ballot; otherwise you will be given a provisional ballot so the county can make sure your mail-in ballot was not used. You may need to sign a form at the polling place.

No computer or smart phone?

Suburban Cook County: 312-603-0946.

Lake County: 847-377-2406 or 847-377-VOTE