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**POSTED NOTICE OF MAIL BALLOT PROCEDURES**

**TO VOTERS OF STEARNS COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

The following precincts located in Stearns County have elected to vote by mail ballot procedure in

Statewide elections as authorized under Minnesota Statues 204B.45. All other precincts vote at their

designated polling places on Election Day.

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|  **Townships** |  **Cities** |
|  Crow Lake | Luxemburg |  Elrosa |  Roscoe |
|  Crow River | Melrose |  Greenwald |  St. Anthony |
|  Farming | Munson |  Lake Henry |  St. Rosa |
|  Getty | North Fork |  Meire Grove |  Spring Hill |
|  Grove | Oak |  New Munich |  |
|  Lake George | Spring Hill |  |  |
|  Lake Henry |  |  |  |

For the 2020 statewide elections, the election dates and the corresponding dates that ballots will be mailed to all **registered** voters in mail ballot precincts are:

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| **Statewide Presidential Nominating Primary Election:** | March 3, 2020 | **Ballot Mailing Dates:** | January 20 – February 21, 2020 |
| **Statewide Primary Election:** | August 11, 2020 | **Ballot Mailing Dates:** | June 22 – July 27, 2020 |
| **Statewide General Election:** | November 3, 2020 | **Ballot Mailing Dates:** | September 28 – October 19, 2020 |

Voters registered in this precinct by the following dates will be mailed a ballot automatically:

February 11, 2020 for the Statewide Presidential Nomination Primary Election

July 21, 2020 for the Statewide Primary Election

October 13, 2020 for the Statewide General Election

Eligible voters not pre-registered by the dates listed above may vote by absentee.

Registered voters wishing to receive their ballot at a temporary address may contact the Stearns County Auditor-Treasurer Office to vote by absentee. You may check your voter registration status online at [www.mnvotes.org](http://www.mnvotes.org).

To vote by absentee, request an absentee ballot application by one of the following:

* Online at [www.mnvotes.org](http://www.mnvotes.org)
* By phone (320) 656-3920
* By mail: Stearns County Service Center, at address listed below:
* In person at:

Stearns County Service Center or Stearns County Auditor-Treasurer Office Administration Building

3301 County Road 138 705 Courthouse Square, Rm 148

Waite Park, MN 56387 St. Cloud, MN 56303

8:30 am – 5:00 pm 8:00 am – 4:30 pm

Absentee voting begins January 17, 2020 for the Statewide Presidential Nomination Primary, June 26, 2020 for the Statewide Primary, and September 18, 2020 for the Statewide General Election.

Ballots may be returned:

* by mail (a prepaid postage return envelope is included when the ballots are mailed)
* may be delivered in person
* delivered by designated agent to:

Stearns County Service Center

3301 County Road 138

Waite Park, MN 56387

8:00 am – 4:30 pm

Ballots must be received no later than 8:00 p.m. on Election Day in order to be counted. Normal business hours are Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

In addition to the normal business hours, extended hours for absentee voting are:

Statewide Presidential Nomination Primary Election:

Saturday, February 29, 2020 from 10:00 am to 3:00 p.m.; Monday March 2, 2020 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.;

Statewide Primary Election:

Saturday August 8, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Monday, August 10, 2020 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.;

Statewide General Election:

Saturday, October 31, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Monday, November 2, 2020 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

If you choose to vote in person on Election Day, the designated polling place is:

Stearns County Service Center

3301 County Road 138

Waite Park, MN 56387

 Polling hours are from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

At least one assistive voting ballot-marker will be available at that polling place to permit persons with disabilities to vote privately and independently.

All mail ballots will be counted at the Stearns County Service Center after 8:00 p.m. on the respective election dates.

Additional information is available by contacting the Stearns County Auditor-Treasurer Office, Elections Division, by phone (320) 656-3920, by email at elections@co.stearns.mn.us , or by visiting the website at [www.co.stearns.mn.us](http://www.co.stearns.mn.us) .

Dated 11th day of December, 2019

By order of

**Randy R. Schreifels,**

Stearns County Auditor-Treasurer