

City of

Burton

Michigan

Election Newsletter

Greetings From the City of Burton Clerk’s Office:

In November 2022, voters passed Proposal 2 which amended the State Constitution to include additional voting rights and protections and created additional options for Michigan voters to vote. Michigan voters now have three ways to vote: **Absentee Ballot, 9-days of Early Voting, and Election Day at the polls.**

Below you will find more information about all three of these voting options as well as information about the elections occurring in 2024.

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**2024 Election Dates**

There are currently three elections scheduled

for 2024 for Burton residents:

* Presidential Primary on **February 27, 2024**
* State Primary on **August 6, 2024**
* General Election on **November 5, 2024**

Michigan still has no reason absentee voting; any registered voter can request an absentee ballot to vote prior to Election Day.

The biggest change with Absentee Voting is the addition of the Permanent Absentee Ballot List. **Voters who are on our Permanent Absentee Ballot List will automatically be mailed an absentee ballot before every election.**

**ABSENTEE VOTING**

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The one exception to this is the Presidential Primary. This is the one election every four years, where a voter must select a party specific ballot. Voters who checked the box to be added to our permanent absentee ballot list during the November 2023 election will receive a postcard in the mail in January where they will be required to select a ballot type and return it to the Clerk’s office.

With the implementation of the Permanent Absentee Ballot option, the State will be phasing out the Automatic Absentee Ballot Application option. In the past, voters who were on this list would be automatically mailed an absentee ballot application before every election. **Once this option is phased out, voters who are not on the Permanent Absentee Ballot list will have to request an application to receive one and apply for an absentee ballot.**

If you are not on the Permanent Absentee Ballot List and would like to be added, simply check the box on any absentee ballot application to be added.

If you are a snowbird, college student or regularly use a temporary alternative address, the Permanent Absentee Ballot List may not be the best option for you as the ballot will be mailed to your home address and the USPS cannot forward ballots. The best option for these voters is to apply for an absentee ballot before each election.

Another important change that was made with Proposal 22-2 is that all ballot applications and ballots will have prepaid postage for voters, so you no longer need to place a stamp on the envelopes. 😊

**For the 2024 Presidential Primary; Early Voting will be available:**

**Saturday, February 17th - Tuesday, February 20th 9:00am-5:00pm.**

**Wednesday, February 21st 11:00am - 7:00pm.**

**Thursday, February 22nd - Sunday, February 25th 9:00am-5:00pm.**

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The City of Burton’s Early Voting Site is located in the lower level of Burton City Hall, 4303 S. Center Road and will be available for every statewide and federal election for nine consecutive days, beginning the second Saturday before and ending the first Sunday before Election Day.

Michigan voters now have the right to vote early and in person at an early voting site for 9 consecutive days prior to an election. The Early Voting process is very similar to voting on Election Day - show up, complete a voter application, mark your ballot, and place it into the tabulator.

Early voting will be available beginning with the Presidential Primary in February 2024 and every statewide and federal election thereafter.

**EARLY VOTING**

**VOTING ON ELECTION DAY**

There currently are no changes to how we vote on Election Day. If you are registered to vote in the City of Burton, you will vote at your normal precinct location. Burton has 12 voting precincts; they are as follows:

Atherton Elementary School, 3444 S Genesee Road - **Precincts 1, 7, 12**

Bendle Middle School, 2294 E Bristol Road – **Precincts 2,4,6**

Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall, 6340 Roberta Street – **Precincts 3, 5, 10, 11**

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**Polls are open on Election Day from**

**7:00am-8:00pm.**

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Individuals are encouraged to register to vote as early as possible before an election. Methods and requirements for voter registration depend on the following deadlines:

**If there are 15+ days before an election**, you can register at the Michigan SOS office, online, by mail, or in person.

**Within 14 days of an election, and on Election Day**, you may only register by visiting your local clerk’s office to register in person with proof of residency documentation.

**REGISTERING TO VOTE**

**VISIT THE MICHIGAN VOTER INFORMATION CENTER (MVIC)**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

**You can use the MVIC to**

* **Register to Vote**
* **Find your local Clerk**
* **Track your Absentee Ballot**
* **Locate your Precinct**
* **Check your Voter Registration**

**at** [**www.michigan.gov/vote**](http://www.michigan.gov/vote) **or scan here:**

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