

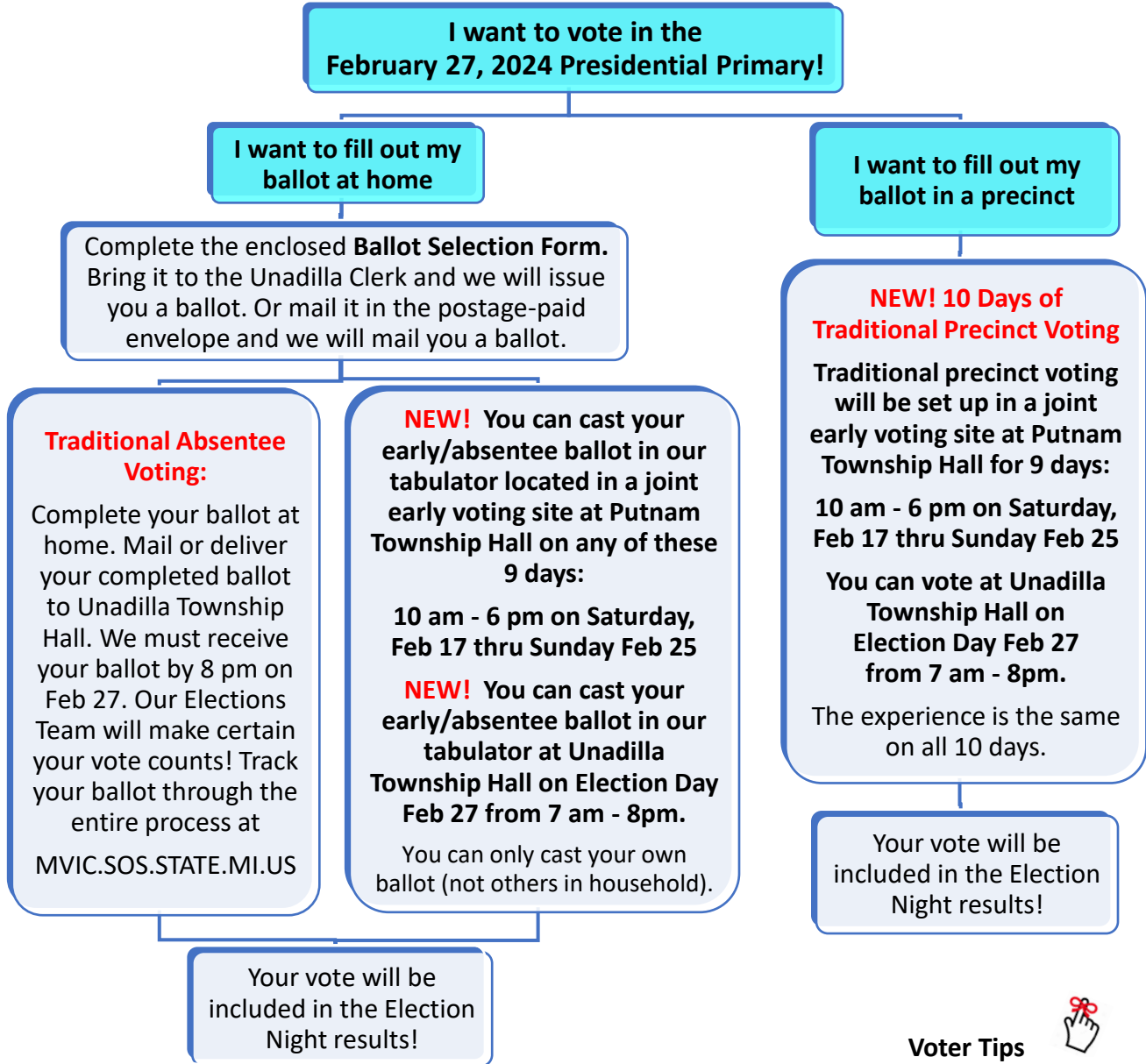
UNADILLA TOWNSHIP

2024 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY VOTER OPTIONS

Sweeping changes in 2024 Election Laws offer new ways and times to cast your vote.

We are partnering with Putnam Township to offer you 9 days of easy, accessible in-person early voting.

Follow your path on the flow chart below to choose how and when you will make your vote count.



Voter Tips

- ✓ Ballots are expected to be available beginning January 16.
- ✓ There is no precinct voting on Monday, February 26 (the day before the election).
- ✓ To avoid delays, always bring photo ID when requesting a ballot.
- ✓ If voting by mail, be sure to sign the back of your ballot envelope.
- ✓ Once your ballot is cast in a tabulator, it cannot be retrieved or changed.
- ✓ A secure locked drop box is located in front of Township Hall and checked daily.

Websites for more information and online forms:

Michigan Voter Information Center: MVIC.SOS.STATE.MI.US

Livingston County: MILIVCOUNTY.GOV

Unadilla Township: WWW.TWP.UNADILLA.MI.US

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Joint Early Voting Site February 17 – 25 at Putnam Township Hall

3280 W. M-36 • Pinckney, MI 48169 • (734) 878-3131

Q: Why do I have to indicate a party preference to receive a Presidential Primary Ballot?

A: Presidential Primaries are one of the tools used by the Republican and Democratic parties to help select which candidate they will move forward on the November General Election ballot. Michigan produces two separate Presidential Primary ballots, one listing Republican candidates and one listing Democrats. This is unique to Presidential primaries, and only occurs once every four years. Your selection does not indicate that you have aligned with one party or the other.

Q: What is the 'nonpartisan' or 'independent voter' option?

A: If you don't want a party ballot, you can return the Ballot Selection Form asking for a *Ballot Without Presidential Primary*. You will receive a ballot only if there are proposals included in this election (none have qualified as of this writing).

Q: What is a Permanent Ballot List?

A: This is a huge change in ballot distribution. If you check the Permanent Ballot option on the enclosed Ballot Selection Form, you will automatically be sent a ballot for every election for as long as you are a qualified Michigan voter. This designation will travel with your voting record if you move to another Michigan jurisdiction. It replaces the Absentee Ballot Application List that required you to complete a ballot application prior to each election.

Q: What if I receive a ballot by mail but want to vote in a precinct?

A: Another BIG change! Michigan refers to a mailed ballot as an 'absentee' ballot. If you want to cast the ballot yourself, you can request an absentee ballot, do your research at home, and fill it out before you arrive at your voting precinct. You can then cast it yourself (put it in the tabulator) by bringing it to the Putnam Township Hall during any of the 9 days our joint Early Voting precincts are open: Saturday February 17 thru Sunday February 25 from 10 am to 6 pm. You can also bring it to Unadilla Township Hall on February 27 (Election Day) from 7 am to 8 pm. If you receive a ballot by mail and forget to bring it when you come to vote in the precinct, we will cancel it and issue you a new one (this may add a few minutes to your voting experience).

Q: How will I know if my signature wasn't accepted on a mail-in ballot?

A: Please please please give us your contact information including cell phone and email address. We don't share this information with anyone. EVER. We are required by statute to contact you if your signature doesn't match. If we don't have your phone or email, we will send a snail-mail letter to you which may not arrive in time to resolve the issue.

Q: What if I move and don't change my legal address? What if someone else's ballot is mailed to my house?

A: If you are on the Permanent Ballot List and don't notify the Secretary of State of your address change, we will continue to send a ballot to your old address. It's easy to make the change: contact your new Clerk or go online to DSVSESVC.SOS.STATE.MI.US. You will automatically receive an address sticker for your drivers license. If you receive a ballot for someone who no longer lives at your address, please let us know so we can cancel the ballot and initiate the verification process.

Q: What if I want my ballot sent to a different address because I will be away at school or on vacation?

A: We can help. Contact us with your alternate address information and dates that apply. We will ask you a couple of questions to verify your identity, then add you to our list for special handling. We are happy to do it, and it is critical that you contact us because **ballots will not be forwarded by the post office**. All returning ballots **MUST** arrive at the Clerk's office by 8 pm on Election Day. Postmarks are not honored except for Military and Overseas voters, who have an extra six days.

Q: Does Unadilla Township need more election workers?

A: We have a great team of election inspectors, and welcome your interest in joining us. These are paid positions, interesting, fun, and civically satisfying. Please send us an email if you are interested!

Upcoming 2024 Elections

August 6, 2024 State Primary

Early Voting: July 27 – August 4

November 5, 2024 General Election

Early Voting: October 26 – November 3

More questions? We're here for you.

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