

Primary Election Reminder ALERT
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2024 is a presidential election year; but it is also an important election at the state level. All members of the Ohio House will be up for re-election and half of the Ohio Senate. The primary election to determine who will be on the November ballot will be Tuesday, March 19, 2024. Many voters tend to sit out primary elections, but those elections are often where the true competition is found. This is particularly true in states like Ohio where the districts are drawn in a way that typically ensures a victory in a primary means a victory in November for whatever candidate is selected to represent the majority party in a gerrymandered district.

As always there are important dates and deadlines to be aware of. Below is a list of such dates for Ohio in 2024. Pay particular attention to the primary election because it will be here soon.

VOTING in 2024

Activity	Primary Election	General Election
Deadline to register to vote*	February 20, 2024	October 7, 2024
Early voting starts	February 21, 2024	October 8, 2024
Deadline to REQUEST an absentee ballot	March 12, 2024	October 29, 2024
Postmark deadline for absentee ballots sent via U.S. mail	March 18, 2024	November 4, 2024
ELECTION DAY	March 19, 2024	November 5, 2024
Absentee ballots postmarked by March 18 must ARRIVE at county board of elections	March 23, 2024	November 9, 2024

*Register to vote online at olvr.ohiosos.gov or register in person at your county board of elections, the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, public libraries, or some other sites.
For information go to voteohio.gov.