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## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Absentee Voting Begins for August 4, 2026, Primary Election**

*Springfield, MO* - Greene County Clerk Shane Schoeller announces to Greene County registered voters that absentee voting will begin on **Tuesday, June 23** for those eligible voters who are unable to go to their regular polling place on Tuesday, August 4 for the upcoming Primary Election. In Greene County, the August ballot includes a wide variety of federal, state and local candidates, four statewide issues and a tax question for the City of Ash Grove.

#### **Absentee Voting Reasons**

**By statute, voters are permitted to cast an absentee ballot for one of the following reasons:**

- Absence on Election Day from the jurisdiction of the election authority in which such voter is registered to vote;
- Incapacity or confinement due to illness or physical disability on Election Day, including a person who is primarily responsible for the physical care of a person who is incapacitated or confined due to illness or disability and resides at the same address;
- Religious belief or practice;
- Employment as an election authority or by an election authority at a location other than such voter's polling place, a first responder, a health care worker, or a member of law enforcement;
- Incarceration, provided all qualifications for voting are retained;
- Certified participation in the address confidentiality program established under RSMo 589.660 to 589.681 because of safety concerns.

**In-person absentee voting** will be available at the Greene County Elections Center, 1126 **North Boonville Avenue** in Springfield, Monday to Friday between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm up to and including the day prior to the election. In addition, absentee voting will be available Saturday, August 1 between 9:00 am and 1:00 pm.

#### **Valid Forms of ID**

**Please note that to vote in-person absentee, by statute, voters must present one of the following forms of photo identification:**

- A nonexpired Missouri driver or non-driver license;
- A nonexpired military ID, including a veteran's ID card;
- A nonexpired United States passport;
- A photo ID issued by the United States or the State of Missouri which is without an expiration

date;

- A photo ID issued by the United States or the State of Missouri which has an expiration date which is either not expired or expired on or after November 6, 2024.

**To vote absentee by mail**, voters may either submit a handwritten request or complete the fillable form available at <https://vote.greencountymo.gov>. These requests must be signed by the voters and received in the Office of the County Clerk no later than **5:00 pm** on the **second Wednesday** prior to the election, **July 22**. Mailed ballots must be voted, notarized, returned by mail, and received in the Office of the County Clerk before **7:00 pm** on Election Day.

Sample ballots are available in the Office of the County Clerk and at <https://vote.greencountymo.gov>. Questions about absentee voting may be directed to the Office of the County Clerk at 417-868-4055 or [AbsenteeVoting@greencountymo.gov](mailto:AbsenteeVoting@greencountymo.gov).

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