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Official Notice of Election for Military and Overseas Voters Venango County May 19, 2026 Primary

This is an official notice of an election to be conducted on May 19, 2026 in Venango County. Military and overseas electors may register to vote and request an official absentee ballot by using the Federal Postcard Application (FPCA) available at www.vote.pa.gov or www.fvap.gov. You may apply for an absentee ballot by submitting your FPCA by fax to 814-432-4741 or by email to laura.anna@venangocountypa.gov

Military and Overseas electors may request an absentee ballot from this office at any time prior to a primary or general election. However, if time does not permit you to receive and return an official absentee ballot, you are entitled to vote using the *Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot* (FWAB), available at www.vote.pa.gov, www.fvap.gov. Military electors may also use the FWAB to register to vote and vote simultaneously.

The FWAB can be used to vote for **all** state and local offices, and ballot initiatives.

To vote, refer to the instructions and page 5 of the FWAB application.

To vote for federal offices (President, U.S. Senator, or U.S Representative in Congress), write in the name of the candidate of your choice in the space provided on the FWAB.

To vote for state and local offices or for ballot initiatives, write the names of candidates or ballot initiatives in the Addendum section of the FWAB. Under the **Office/Ballot Initiative** heading, enter the office the candidate is running for or the title of the Ballot Initiative (referendum). Under the **Candidate Name, Party Affiliation or Initiative Vote** heading, list the name of the candidate you wish to vote for, or if you are voting on a Referendum or Retention question write “yes” or “no.”

Notice of General Primary and Meetings of the County Return Board

In accordance with the provisions of the Pennsylvania Election Code, notice is hereby given that the ensuing General Primary to be held May 19, 2026 between the hours of 7:00AM and 8:00PM prevailing time in all of the various Election Districts of Venango County, nominations are to be made for the following public office on the Democratic and Republican ballots.

NOTE: THIS NOTICE WILL BE UPDATED WITH THE NAMES OF CANDIDATES WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE.

Governor

Josh Shapiro – D
Stacy Garrity - R

Vote for ONE (All 44 Precincts in Venango County)

Lieutenant Governor

Austin Davis – D
John Ventre – R
Jason Richey – R

Vote for ONE (All 44 Precincts in Venango County)

Representative in Congress – 15th District

(Boroughs of Emlenton, Pleasantville, Rouseville; Townships of Allegheny, Cherrytree, Clinton, Clintonville, Cornplanter, Cranberry, Oakland, Oil Creek, Pinegrove, Plum, President, Richland, Rockland, Scrubgrass, Victory 2; City of Oil City)

Ray Bilger – D
Glenn GT Thompson - R

Vote for ONE

Representative in Congress – 16th District

(Boroughs of Barkeyville, Cooperstown, Polk, Sugarcreek, Utica; Townships of Canal, Frenchcreek, Irwin, Jackson, Mineral, Sandycreek, Victory 1; City of Franklin)

Justin Wagner – D
Mike Kelly - R

Vote for ONE

Representative in the General Assembly – 64th District

Amanda Shaffer – D
R. Lee James - R

Vote for ONE (All 44 Precincts in Venango County)

In addition to the above nominations for public offices, state and local party offices are to be ELECTED in the Primary.

Democratic Party Offices

State Democratic Committeeman

Edward L. Scurry

Vote for ONE (All 44 Precincts in Venango County)

Precinct Democratic Committeeman

Oil City 2 – Joseph Miles Behrle
Franklin 1 – Edward L. Scurry
Franklin 3 – Elijah Daubenspeck
Cranberry 3 – Joseph Brooker
Irwin – Philip Terman
Jackson – Blaine F. Aikin
Sandycreek – Curtis R. McElhattan

Vote for ONE (All 44 Precincts in Venango County)

Precinct Democratic Committeewoman

Oil City 4 – Amanda Shaffer
Franklin 3 – Irene Anne McCabe
Frenchcreek – Beverly J. Kirby
Irwin – Christine Hood
Jackson – Terry W. Aikin
Sandycreek – Teresa Jon McElhattan

Vote for ONE (All 44 Precincts in Venango County)

Republican Party Offices

State Republican Committeeman

Sam Breene

State Republican Committeewoman

Vote for ONE male (All 44 Precincts in Venango County)

Vote for ONE female (All 44 Precincts in Venango County)

Venango County Polling Places

Allegheny	Pleasantville Fire Hall, 157 W State Street, Pleasantville
Barkeyville	Barkeyville Community Building, 5404 Pittsburgh Road, Harrisville
Canal	Canal Township Building, 1689 Old Route 322, Utica
Cherrytree	Cherrytree Township Building, 1311 Cherrytree Road, Titusville
Clinton	Union Presbyterian Church, 409 Emlenton Street, Clintonville
Clintonville	Borough Building, 109 Franklin Street, Clintonville
Cooperstown	Cooperstown VFD, 152 N. Main Street, Cooperstown
Cornplanter	Christ Lutheran Church, 1029 Grandview Road, Oil City
Cranberry (Ward 1)	Victory Heights United Brethren Church, 5978 US 322, Franklin
Cranberry (Ward 2)	Heckathorn United Methodist Church, 369 Heckathorn Church Rd, Seneca
Cranberry (Ward 3)	Seneca Fire Department, 3490 State Route 257, Seneca
Emlenton	Emlenton Civic Club, 605 Main Street, Emlenton
Franklin (Ward 1)	First Baptist Church, 1041 Liberty Street, Franklin
Franklin (Ward 2)	K of C, 1436 Liberty Street, Franklin
Franklin (Ward 3)	Atlantic Ave United Brethren Church, 160 Atlantic Ave, Franklin
Frenchcreek	4H Fairground, 867 Mercer Road, Franklin
Irwin	Wesley Grange Hall, 601 Old Route 8, Harrisville
Jackson	Donation Hill Bible Church, 965 Donation Hill Rd, Cochranon
Mineral	Township Building, 2076 Jackson Center -Polk Road, Polk
Oakland	Oakland United Methodist Church, 1431 State Route 428, Oil City
Oil City (Ward 1)	First Presbyterian Church, 215 E Bissel Ave, Oil City
Oil City (Ward 2)	County Services Building, 806 Grandview Road, Oil City
Oil City (Ward 3)	Center Town Café, 250 Elm Street, Oil City
Oil City (Ward 4)	Free Methodist Church, 206 Wilson Ave, Oil City
Oil City (Ward 5)	First Church of God, 11 East 8 th Street, Oil City
Oil City (Ward 6)	Second Presbyterian Church, 111 Reed Street, Oil City
Oil City (Ward 7)	Clarion University Venango Campus, 1801 W 1 st Street, Oil City
Oil Creek	Township Building, 16835 Shreve Run Road, Pleasantville
Pinegrove	Pinegrove VFD, 2369 State Route 157, Venus
Pleasantville	Pleasantville Fire Hall, 157 W State Street, Pleasantville
Plum	Chapmanville Fire Hall, 458 Meadville Road, Titusville
Polk	Polk Fire Hall, 710 Main Street, Polk
President	President Township Building, 139 Henry's Bend Road, Oil City
Richland	Nickleville Presbyterian Church Social Hall, 169 Valley Church Rd, Emlenton
Rockland	Rockland Fire Hall, 995 Pittsville Road, Kennerdell
Rouseville	Rouseville Borough Building, 64 Main Street, Rouseville
Sandycreek	Sandycreek Fire Hall, 624 Congress Hill Road, Franklin
Scrubgrass	Scrubgrass Grange, 5104 Emlenton Clintonville Road, Emlenton
Sugarcreek (Wards 1&4)	Rocky Grove Fire Hall, 29 Shuffstall Street, Franklin
Sugarcreek (Ward 2)	Reno Social Hall, 104 7 th Street, Reno
Sugarcreek (Ward 3)	Sugarcreek United Methodist Church, 442 Sugarcreek Drive, Franklin
Sugarcreek (Ward 5)	Galloway United Methodist Church, 193 Seysler Road, Franklin
Utica	Utica VFD, 3860 Academy Street, Utica
Victory	Victory Township Building, 2794 Old Route 8, Polk

Notice of Meetings of the County Return Board

The County Return Board will meet on Tuesday, May 19 at 7:00AM prevailing time in room 100 of the Courthouse Annex, 1174 Elk Street, Franklin, PA to begin pre-canvassing absentee and mail-in ballots cast in the May 20 Municipal Primary.

The County Return Board will meet on Tuesday, May 19 at 8:00PM prevailing time in room 100 of the Courthouse Annex, 1174 Elk Street, Franklin, PA to begin canvassing absentee and mail-in ballots cast in the May 20 Municipal Primary.

The County Return Board will meet on Friday, May 22 at 9:00AM prevailing time in the Elections Office of the Courthouse Annex, 1174 Elk Street, Franklin, PA to begin canvassing and computing the official returns of the May 20 Municipal Primary.

The County Return Board will meet on Friday, May 22 at 9:00AM prevailing time in the Elections Office of the Courthouse Annex, 1174 Elk Street, Franklin, PA to begin canvassing provisional ballots cast in the May 20 General Primary.

The County Return Board will meet on Wednesday, May 27 at 9:00AM prevailing time in the Elections Office of the Courthouse Annex, 1174 Elk Street, Franklin, PA to canvass any remaining absentee ballots received from military and overseas electors no later than 5:00PM on the 7th calendar day after the election.

Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot

- If you do not receive your absentee ballot in enough time to meet your state's deadlines, use this ballot as a backup. If you send in this ballot and receive your state's ballot later, you should fill out and return your state ballot as well, noting that you had previously sent in this ballot. Your election official will count only one ballot.
- The following require you to register and request an absentee ballot before filling out this form: AL, AS, AR, CT, FL, GU, HI, ID, IL, IN, KS, LA, NH, NJ, NM, NY, PA, PR, RI, SD, TX, WI, WV, and WY. If your state or territory is listed, complete a Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) online at FVAP.gov
- If you already registered and requested a ballot, send in the *Voter Information page* and the *Official Backup Ballot*.
- Please be aware that some states will accept this form as registration and as an absentee ballot request for future elections.

Use this form if you are:

- On active duty in the Uniformed Services or Merchant Marine
- An eligible spouse or dependent
- A U.S. citizen living outside the United States

You can vote wherever you are. This is how.

1. Fill out your *Voter Information* page completely and accurately.

- Your U.S. voting residence address is used to determine where you are eligible to vote absentee. For military voters, it is usually your last address in your state of legal residence. For overseas citizens, it is usually the last place you lived before moving overseas. You do not need to have any current ties with this address. DO NOT write a PO Box # in section 2.
- Most states allow you to provide a Driver's License number or the last 4 digits of your SSN. New Mexico, Tennessee, and Virginia require a full SSN.
- If you cannot receive mail at your current mailing address, please specify a mail forwarding address.
- Many states require you to specify a political party to vote in primary elections. This information may be used to register you with a party.
- **Section 6 Requirements:** Puerto Rico requires your mother's and father's first name. If registering in Vermont you must acknowledge the following by writing in section 6: "I swear or affirm that I have taken the Vermont Voter's Oath." Additional state guidelines can be found at FVAP.gov.
- Remember to sign the bottom of the *Voter Information* page!

2. Carefully fill out and seal your *Official Backup Ballot*.

- DO NOT sign your ballot or include any personal information. Keep your ballot anonymous.
- If using a self-sealing form, remove the adhesive liner, fold and seal tightly.
- If you printed out the form, fold the voted ballot and seal it in an envelope marked "ballot enclosed".

3. Assemble your documents for mailing.

- Put your Voter Information page and Official Backup Ballot into the mailing envelope.
- You can find the address for your election office at FVAP.gov.
- All states accept this form by mail and many states accept this form by email and fax. See your state's guidelines at FVAP.gov.

Agency Disclosure Statement

The public reporting burden for this collection of information, OMB Control Number 0704-0502, is estimated to average 15 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or burden reduction suggestions to the Department of Defense, Washington Headquarters Services, at whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil. Respondents should be aware that notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information if it does not display a currently valid OMB control number.
DO NOT SUBMIT YOUR FORM TO THE E-MAIL ADDRESS ABOVE.

Privacy Advisory

When completed, this form contains personally identifiable information and is protected by the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended.

Questions?
Email: vote@fvap.gov

Voter Information

Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)

Print clearly in blue or black ink, please see back for instructions.

Have you already registered and requested an absentee ballot?

Some states allow you to use this form to register and request ballots for future elections. Visit [FVAP.gov](https://www.fvap.gov) for more details.

1. Who are you? Pick one.

For absent Uniformed Service members, their families, and citizens residing outside the United States.

☐ I am on active duty in the Uniformed Services or Merchant Marine -OR- ☐ I am an eligible spouse or dependent.

☐ I am a U.S. citizen living outside the country, and I intend to return.

☐ I am a U.S. citizen living outside the country, and my intent to return is uncertain.

☐ I am a U.S. citizen living outside the country, I have never lived in the United States.

Last name		Suffix (Jr., II)		☐ Mr. ☐ Miss ☐ Mrs. ☐ Ms.
First name		Previous names (if applicable)		
Middle name		Birth date (MM/DD/YYYY)		
Social Security Number		Driver's license or State ID#		

2. What is your U.S. voting residence address?

Your voting materials will not be sent to this address. See instructions on the other side of form.

Street address		Apt #	
City, town, village		State	
County		ZIP	

3. Where are you now? You MUST give your CURRENT address to receive your voting materials.

Your mailing address. (Different from above)

Your mail forwarding address. (If different from mailing address)

4. What is your contact information? This is so election officials can reach you about your request.

Provide the country code and area code with your phone and fax number. Do not use a Defense Switched Network (DSN) number.

Email:	Phone:
Alternate email:	Fax:

5. What are your preferences for future elections?

A. Do you want to register and request a ballot for all elections you are eligible to vote in? ☐ Yes ☐ No	B. How do you want to receive voting materials from your election office? ☐ Mail ☐ Email or online ☐ Fax	C. What is your political party for primary elections?
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6. What additional information must you provide?

Alabama requires two witness signatures; Alaska, Virginia and Wisconsin, require one witness signature. Puerto Rico and Vermont need more information, see back for instructions. Additional state guidelines can be found at [FVAP.gov](https://www.fvap.gov).

7. You must read and sign this statement.

I swear or affirm, under penalty of perjury, that:

- The information on this form is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that a material misstatement of fact in completion of this document may constitute grounds for conviction of perjury.
- I am a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years of age (or will be by the day of election), eligible to vote in the requested jurisdiction, and
- I am not disqualified to vote due to having been convicted of a felony or other disqualifying offense, nor have I been adjudicated mentally incompetent; or if so, my voting rights have been reinstated; and
- I am not registering, requesting a ballot, or voting in any other jurisdiction in the United States, except the jurisdiction cited in this voting form.
- In voting, I have marked and sealed this ballot in private and have not allowed any person to observe the marking of this ballot, except those authorized to assist voters under State and Federal law.

Sign here

X

Today's date
(MM/DD/YYYY)

This information is for official use only. Any unauthorized release may be punishable by law. Previous editions are obsolete. Standard Form 186 (Rev.01-2023), OMB No. 0704-0502, NSN 7540-01-218-4384

Official Backup Ballot

Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)

Print clearly in blue or black ink.

Vote by writing the NAME or PARTY of the candidates you choose. To find out about specific federal candidates and races go to [FVAP.gov](https://www.fvap.gov).

Instructions

- The FWAB is intended to serve as a backup ballot. It can be used to vote for federal offices. Refer to your state or local election official for any special ballot instructions (e.g., instant runoff voting or ranked choice voting).
- State laws vary on the use of the FWAB for state and local contests. Learn more online at [FVAP.gov](https://www.fvap.gov).
- DO NOT write your name or any identifying number (SSN, driver's license) on this ballot.
- If you are voting in American Samoa, Guam, Puerto Rico, or the U.S. Virgin Islands, you may vote for Delegate or Resident Commissioner, and in presidential primaries.
- Photocopy this page if you require additional room for candidates or ballot initiatives.

Federal Offices

President and Vice President

U.S. Senator

U. S. Representative, Delegate, or
Resident Commissioner to Congress

Other offices

Office

Candidate name

Political party

Ballot initiatives or other items

Official Ballot

Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot

Private

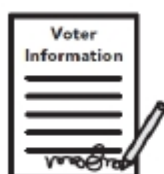
Fold your ballot and keep it private. Put it in the envelope.

Before you seal this envelope:

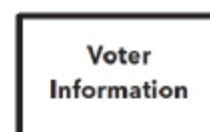


1. Sign and fold your *Voter Information* page.
2. Fold and seal your *Official Backup Ballot*.
3. Put both inside this envelope, and mail it to your election office. The address can be found at FVAP.gov.

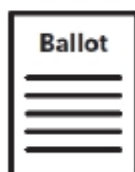
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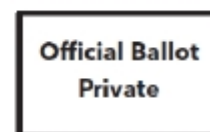
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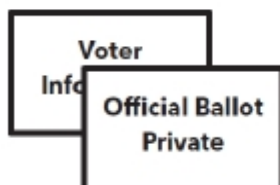
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Fold and seal



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For election officials:

This is an official **Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot** authorized by 52 U.S.C. § 20301.

If you have questions about it, contact your State officials.

U.S. Postage Paid
39 USC 3406
PAR AVTON



From

(Your name and mailing address.)

International airmail postage is required if not mailed using the U.S. Postal Service, APO/FPO/DPO system, or diplomatic pouch.

I have enclosed my ballot for the / election.
MM YYYY



OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOTING MATERIAL – FIRST CLASS MAIL

NO POSTAGE NECESSARY IN THE U.S. MAIL – DMM 703.8.0

To

(Fill in the address of your election office. The address can be found online at FVAP.gov.)
