

Des Moines County, Iowa

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TO: All news media
FROM: Terri Johnson, Des Moines County Election Coordinator
RE: **JUNE 7, 2016 PRIMARY ELECTION**

The enclosed materials are designed to assist in coverage of the June 7, 2016, Primary Election. The following items are included:

- Update regarding Absentee voting
- News release reminder of voter registration deadlines
- Fact sheet containing information relevant to Primary Election, including list of voting sites
- Election Day news release

Please pay attention to the release dates included on the news releases.

Please call if you have any questions concerning the 2016 Primary Election.

Just a reminder - results will be released the evening of June 7 at the Public Meeting Room on the second floor of the Courthouse and via the Des Moines County website. The results are posted on the website after the polls close at 9:00 pm and all precincts have reported.

NEWS RELEASE

2016 Primary Election

RELEASE DATE: April 27, 2016

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ABSENTEE VOTING UPDATE

Starting April 28, absentee voting is available at the Des Moines County Auditor's Office in the Courthouse at 513 N Main St, Burlington, during regular business hours from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday, through June 6. The Auditor's Office is open on Saturday, June 4 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

To have an Absentee ballot mailed to you, it must be requested in writing. Forms are available at the Auditor's Office, on the Des Moines County website at www.dmcountry.com and at the Iowa Secretary of State's website at www.sos.iowa.gov. All request for ballots to be mailed must be received by the Auditor's Office by 5:00 PM on June 3. Absentee ballots returned by mail must be postmarked by June 6. Check your post office for pickup times. However, we encourage those returning their ballots via the postal service to mail them before June 6.

Voted absentee ballots can be hand delivered to the auditor's office by 9:00 pm, June 7.

For more information about the 2016 Primary Election, contact the Des Moines County Auditor's Office at 319-753-8232.

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2016 Primary Election

RELEASE DATE: May 20, 2016

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County Commissioner of Election Promotes Pre-Registration for the 2016 Primary Election

The Des Moines County Auditor's Office is encouraging those who wish to vote in the 2016 Primary Election on June 7 to register early if they are not already registered.

In order to vote in the 2016 Primary Election, a voter must be registered. Voters may register on Election Day. However, we encourage voters to register before May 27 to avoid extra paperwork at the polling site on Election Day. The Auditor's Office business hours are from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday.

The precinct election officials are ready to assist any voter who needs to register on Election Day. However, it is much easier if a voter registers before the May 27 deadline.

A voter can still register after the May 27 deadline, but more identification is required. Voters who register and vote absentee at the Auditor's Office after the May 27 deadline need to show proof of residency and proof of identity. Voters who register on Election Day at their polling location need to show proof of residency and proof of identity.

Acceptable proofs of residency:

- Property tax statement
- Utility bill
- Bank statement
- Paycheck
- Other government document

Acceptable proofs of identification must contain a photo and include:

- An Iowa Driver's license
- Out-of-state driver's license
- Non-driver identification card
- US passport

All forms of ID must be current and valid and contain an expiration date.

Voters may cast an absentee ballot at the Des Moines County Auditor's Office during normal business hours of 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday.

For more information about the 2016 Primary Election, contact the Des Moines County Auditor's office at 319-753-8232

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2016 Primary Election

RELEASE DATE: June 6, 2016

CONTACT: Terri Johnson, Election Coordinator, 319-753-8232

POLLING LOCATION UPDATE

Voters are encouraged to consult their voter registration cards for the location of their polling place. If you have a voter registration card dated prior to February 2012, call the Auditor's Office to request a new voter registration card. Voters may also check their polling location by contacting the Des Moines County Auditor's Office at 319-753-8232 or visiting the state's website at www.sos.iowa.gov

2016 Des Moines County Precinct / Polling sites Primary and General Elections Poll Hours: 7:00 AM to 9:00 PM

Precinct	Polling Location	Address
Burlington 1T / Tama Twp	Concordia Lutheran Church	2901 Cliff Road, Burlington
Burlington 2	Autumn Heights	2830 Winegard Dr., Burlington
Burlington 3	Oak Street Baptist Church	1303 Oak St., Burlington
Burlington 4	Trinity Lutheran Church	115 S. Central Ave., Burlington
Burlington 5	Notre Dame School	702 S Roosevelt Ave., Burlington
Burlington 6	St John's Church Hall (north entrance)	700 Division St., Burlington
Burlington 7	St Luke United Church of Christ	1403 South St., Burlington
Burlington 8C / Concordia Twp	Bethany Lutheran Church	2515 Madison Ave., Burlington
Burlington 9	Messiah Lutheran Church	2411 West Ave., Burlington
Danville / Danville Twp (DM)	Danville Community Building	104 W Shepherd St., Danville
Flint River Twp / Middletown (FM)	Conservation Office	13700 Washington Rd West Burlington
Huron Twp / Jackson Twp / Benton Twp (HJ)	Two Rivers Office Building	5601 - 205 th St. (Kingston)
Mediapolis / Yellow Spring Twp / Franklin Twp (MY)	Mediapolis City Hall	510 Main Street Mediapolis
Pleasant Grove Twp / Washington Twp (PW)	Yarmouth Fire Station	20454 Eastern Ave Yarmouth
Union Twp (UN)	Church of Christ of Burlington	2120 S Roosevelt Ave, Burlington
West Burlington (WB)	St Mary's Parish Center	502 W Mt Pleasant St West Burlington

NEWS RELEASE

2016 Primary Election

ELECTION FACTS

Election Date: Tuesday, June 7, 2016

Poll Hours: 7 am to 9 pm

Voter Eligibility Requirements:

To vote in the Primary Election one must be a U.S. citizen, 18 years of age, not currently judged by a court to be "incompetent to vote," not convicted of a felony (or have received a restoration of rights).

Voter Registration: The deadline to register to vote is Friday, May 27.

New voters can also register on Election Day at the polling place for the precinct in which they currently reside. The voter will be required to show proof of residence and identity. The form of ID is a valid Iowa driver's license with the voter's current address.

The following documents can be used for proof of residency:

- Property tax statement
- Bank statement
- Government check
- Utility bill
- Paycheck
- Other government document

A current photo ID that is valid and contains an expiration date can be used for proof of identity. Among valid documents are:

- Out-of-state driver's license
- Non-driver identification card
- ID card issued by employer
- US passport
- US military ID
- Iowa high school or college ID

Where to Register: The Des Moines County Auditor's Office, 513 N. Main St., Burlington, IA, on weekdays between the hours of 8 am to 4:30 pm.

Registration forms are available on the Des Moines County website at www.dmcountry.com or at the website of the Iowa Secretary of State at www.sos.iowa.gov. Mail the completed forms to the Des Moines County Auditor's Office: PO Box 784; Burlington, IA; 52601

Registration Changes: Name and address changes within Des Moines County may be made any time up to and including Election Day. Prior to Election Day, changes are made by the same means as voter registration. On Election Day, changes may be made at the voters' polling place. If the voter has changed their address, the voter will need to go to the voter's new polling site.

Absentee Voting: Absentee votes may be cast at the Des Moines County Auditors' Office until June 6, the day before the election. Request forms for absentee ballots are available at the Des Moines County Auditor's Office or on the Des Moines County website at www.dmcountry.com or at the Iowa Secretary of State website at www.sos.iowa.gov

All requests for ballots to be mailed must be received by 5 pm, Friday, June 3. Completed absentee ballots must be postmarked the day before the election or hand delivered to the Des Moines County Auditor's Office before the polls close at 9 pm on Election Day.