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EARLY VOTING SCHEDULE FOR THE 2012 GENERAL ELECTION

Begins Sat. October 27, 2012 * Ends Sat. November 3, 2012
Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m. till 6:00 p.m. * Saturdays: 8:00 a.m. till 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, October 28th: 10:00 a.m. till 6:00 p.m.
 A Jackson County registered voter may vote early at any one of the following Early Voting locations:
Supervisor of Elections Office • 285 I Jefferson St., Marianna
Graceville City Hall • 5348 Cliff St., Graceville
Sneads City Hall • 2028 Third Ave., Sneads



UPDATE OF VOTER'S SIGNATURE



It is very important for you to keep your signature current with the Supervisor of Elections. Signatures on your registration record are used to verify signatures on petitions, absentee ballots and provisional ballots. If at any point there is a significant change in your signature, use a Florida Voter Registration Application to update your signature.

Florida law requires that a voter present current and valid picture and signature identification when voting in person. Any voter appearing to vote without identification will be allowed to vote a Provisional Ballot.

TAKE A PICTURE AND SIGNATURE ID TO POLLS OR EARLY VOTING LOCATION

There are three ways to vote:

- ★ **Vote by Mail**
- ★ **Vote Early**
- ★ **Vote at the Polls**

Acceptable forms of ID include:

- * Florida driver's license
- * Florida identification card issued by Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
- * United States Passport
- * Debit or credit card
- * Military ID
- * Student ID
- * Retirement Center ID
- * Neighborhood Association ID
- * Public Assistance ID

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For more information on these amendments, please visit the following websites:

Division of Elections
<https://election.dos.state.fl.us>

Office of Economic and Demographic Research
<http://edr.state.fl.us>

**NEED TO VOTE BY MAIL?
PLEASE CALL THE ELECTIONS OFFICE AT 850-482-9652 TO REQUEST AN ABSENTEE BALLOT.**

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT THE JACKSON COUNTY ELECTIONS OFFICE AT:

- **285 I Jefferson St. Marianna, FL 32448**
- **Phone: (850) 482-9652**
- **e-mail: email@jacksoncountysoe.org**
- **Web site: www.jacksoncountysoe.org**

<p>TO VOTE, COMPLETELY FILL IN THE OVAL <input type="radio"/> NEXT TO YOUR CHOICE. USE BLACK BALLPOINT PEN.</p> <p>IF YOU MAKE A MISTAKE, DON'T HESITATE TO ASK FOR A NEW BALLOT. IF YOU ERASE OR MAKE OTHER MARKS, YOUR VOTE MAY NOT COUNT.</p> <p>TO VOTE FOR A CANDIDATE WHOSE NAME IS NOT PRINTED ON THE BALLOT, FILL IN THE OVAL, AND WRITE IN THE CANDIDATE'S NAME ON THE BLANK LINE PROVIDED FOR A WRITE-IN CANDIDATE.</p>	<p>UNITED STATES SENATOR (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Connie Mack REP</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Bill Nelson DEM</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Bill Gaylor NPA</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Chris Borgia NPA</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p> <p>REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS DISTRICT 2 (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Steve Southerland REP</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Al Lawson DEM</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p> <p>STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 1 (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Don Gaetz REP</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Richard Harrison NPA</p> <p>STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 5 (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Marti Coley REP</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Travis W. Pitts NPA</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p> <p>SHERIFF (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Lou Roberts DEM</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Aldrich D. Johnson, Sr. NPA</p> <p>TAX COLLECTOR (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Karen Fader REP</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Sherry A. Brown DEM</p> <p>COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 3 (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Mary Ann Hutton REP</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Chuck Lockey DEM</p> <p>COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 5 (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Kenneth Stephens DEM</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Ernie Padgett NPA</p>	<p>JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT</p> <p>Shall Justice R. Fred Lewis of the Supreme Court be retained in office?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p>Shall Justice Barbara J. Pariente of the Supreme Court be retained in office?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p>Shall Justice Peggy A. Quince of the Supreme Court be retained in office?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p>DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL</p> <p>Shall Judge Simone Marstiller of the First District Court of Appeal be retained in office?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p>Shall Judge Stephanie Ray of the First District Court of Appeal be retained in office?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p>Shall Judge Ron Swanson of the First District Court of Appeal be retained in office?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p>Shall Judge Brad Thomas of the First District Court of Appeal be retained in office?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p>
<p>ALL VOTERS IN PRECINCTS 3, 3.2, 3.3, 3.5, 6A, 6A.1, 6A.3, 6A.4, and 6A.5 ARE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE IN THIS RACE.</p>		
<p>ALL VOTERS IN PRECINCTS 1, 1.1, 1.2, 7A, 9, 9.1, AND 10 ARE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE IN THIS RACE.</p>		
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This Sample Ballot is for informational purposes only. IT IS NOT FOR VOTING. However, you may take it to the polls for reference.

ON ELECTION DAY THE POLLS ARE OPEN 7:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M.

JACKSON COUNTY POLLING LOCATIONS

1. **Malone City Hall** - 5182 9th Ave., Malone
2. **Campbellton Community Center** - 2336 Hwy 2, Campbellton
3. **Citizen's Lodge** - 4574 Lodge Drive, Marianna
4. **Alford Community Center** - 2562 Park Ave., Alford
5. **Cypress Park** - 6248 Hwy 90, Cypress
6. **County Commissioner's Admin. Bldg.** - 2864 Madison Street, Marianna
7. **Eastside Baptist Church** - 4785 Hwy 90, Marianna
8. **Shady Grove Methodist Church** - 7305 Birchwood Rd., Grand Ridge
9. **Grand Ridge Community Center** - 6910 Hall St., Grand Ridge
10. **Welcome Assembly of God Church** - 6794 Messer Rd., Grand Ridge
11. **Sneads City Hall** - 2028 Third Ave., Sneads
12. **Cottondale Community Center** - 2666 Front St., Cottondale
13. **Greenwood Town Hall** - 4207 Bryan St., Greenwood
14. **Graceville Civic Center** - 5224 Brown St., Graceville

BEFORE YOU GO TO THE POLLS



- If your address or name has changed, contact the elections office **BEFORE** Election Day.
- Check your voter information card for the location of your polling place.
- Take your drivers license or another form of photo and signature ID to the polls.



<p>NO. 1 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE I, SECTION 28</p> <p>Health Care Services</p> <p>Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to prohibit laws or rules from compelling any person or employer to purchase, obtain, or otherwise provide for health care coverage; permit a person or an employer to purchase lawful health care services directly from a health care provider; permit a health care provider to accept direct payment from a person or an employer for lawful health care services; exempt persons, employers, and health care providers from penalties and taxes for paying directly or accepting direct payment for lawful health care services; and prohibit laws or rules from abolishing the private market for health care coverage of any lawful health care service. Specifies that the amendment does not affect which health care services a health care provider is required to perform or provide; affect which health care services are permitted by law; prohibit care provided pursuant to general law relating to workers' compensation; affect laws or rules in effect as of March 1, 2010; affect the terms or conditions of any health care system to the extent that those terms and conditions do not have the effect of punishing a person or an employer for paying directly for lawful health care services or a health care provider for accepting direct payment from a person or an employer for lawful health care services; or affect any general law passed by two-thirds vote of the membership of each house of the Legislature, passed after the effective date of the amendment, provided such law states with specificity the public necessity justifying the exceptions from the provisions of the amendment. The amendment expressly provides that it may not be construed to prohibit negotiated provisions in insurance contracts, network agreements, or other provider agreements contractually limiting copayments, coinsurance, deductibles, or other patient charges.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p>NO. 2 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE VII, SECTION 6 ARTICLE XII, SECTION 32</p> <p>Veterans Disabled Due to Combat Injury; Homestead Property Tax Discount</p> <p>Proposing an amendment to Section 6 of Article VII and the creation of Section 32 of Article XII of the State Constitution to expand the availability of the property discount on the homesteads of veterans who became disabled as the result of a combat injury to include those who were not Florida residents when they entered the military and schedule the amendment to take effect January 1, 2013.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p>NO. 3 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE VII, SECTIONS 1 AND 19 ARTICLE XII, SECTION 32</p> <p>State Government Revenue Limitation</p> <p>This proposed amendment to the State Constitution replaces the existing state revenue limitation based on Florida personal income growth with a new state revenue limitation based on inflation and population changes. Under the amendment, state revenues, as defined in the amendment, collected in excess of the revenue limitation must be deposited into the budget stabilization fund until the fund reaches its maximum balance, and thereafter shall be used for the support and maintenance of public schools by reducing the minimum financial effort required from school districts for participation in a state-funded education finance program, or, if the minimum financial effort is no longer required, returned to the taxpayers. The Legislature may increase the state revenue limitation through a bill approved by a super majority vote of each house of the Legislature. The Legislature may also submit a proposed increase in the state revenue limitation to the voters. The Legislature must implement this proposed amendment by general law. The amendment will take effect upon approval by the electors and will first apply to the 2014-2015 state fiscal year.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p>
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<p>NO. 4 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE VII, SECTIONS 4, 6 ARTICLE XII, SECTIONS 27, 32, 33</p> <p>Property Tax Limitations; Property Value Decline; Reduction for Nonhomestead Assessment Increases; Delay of Scheduled Repeal</p> <p>(1) This would amend Florida Constitution Article VII, Section 4 (Taxation; assessments) and Section 6 (Homestead exemptions). It also would amend Article XII, Section 27, and add Sections 32 and 33, relating to the Schedule for the amendments. (2) In certain circumstances, the law requires the assessed value of homestead and specified nonhomestead property to increase when the just value of the property decreases. Therefore, this amendment provides that the Legislature may, by general law, provide that the assessment of homestead and specified nonhomestead property may not increase if the just value of that property is less than the just value of the property on the preceding January 1, subject to any adjustment in the assessed value due to changes, additions, reductions, or improvements to such property which are assessed as provided for by general law. This amendment takes effect upon approval by the voters. If approved at a special election held on the date of the 2012 presidential preference primary, it shall operate retroactively to January 1, 2012, or, if approved at the 2012 general election, shall take effect January 1, 2013. (3) This amendment reduces from 10 percent to 5 percent the limitation on annual changes in assessments of nonhomestead real property. This amendment takes effect upon approval of the voters. If approved at a special election held on the date of the 2012 presidential preference primary, it shall operate retroactively to January 1, 2012, or, if approved at the 2012 general election, takes effect January 1, 2013. (4) This amendment also authorizes general law to provide, subject to conditions specified in such law, an additional homestead exemption to every person who establishes the right to receive the homestead exemption provided in the Florida Constitution within 1 year after purchasing the homestead property and who has not owned property in the previous 3 calendar years to which the Florida homestead exemption applied. The additional homestead exemption shall apply to all levies except school district levies. The additional exemption is an amount equal to 50 percent of the homestead property's just value on January 1 of the year the homestead is established. The additional homestead exemption may not exceed an amount equal to the median just value of all homestead property within the county where the property at issue is located for the calendar year immediately preceding January 1 of the year the homestead is established. The additional exemption shall apply for the shorter of 5 years or the year of sale of the property. The amount of the additional exemption shall be reduced in each subsequent year by an amount equal to 20 percent of the amount of the additional exemption received in the year the homestead was established or by an amount equal to the difference between</p>	<p>the just value of the property and the assessed value of the property determined under Article VII, Section 4(d), whichever is greater. Not more than one such exemption shall be allowed per homestead property at one time. The additional exemption applies to property purchased on or after January 1, 2011, if approved by the voters at a special election held on the date of the 2012 presidential preference primary, or to property purchased on or after January 1, 2012, if approved by the voters at the 2012 general election. The additional exemption is not available in the sixth and subsequent years after it is first received. The amendment shall take effect upon approval by the voters. If approved at a special election held on the date of the 2012 presidential preference primary, it shall operate retroactively to January 1, 2012, or, if approved at the 2012 general election, takes effect January 1, 2013. (5) This amendment also delays until 2023, the repeal, currently scheduled to take effect in 2019, of constitutional amendments adopted in 2008 which limit annual assessment increases for specified nonhomestead real property. This amendment delays until 2022 the submission of an amendment proposing the abrogation of such repeal to the voters.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p>Under current law, the Governor appoints a justice of the Supreme Court from a list of nominees provided by a judicial nominating commission, and appointments by the Governor are not subject to confirmation. This revision requires Senate confirmation of a justice of the Supreme Court before the appointee can take office. If the Senate votes not to confirm the appointment, the judicial nominating commission must reconvene and may not renominate any person whose prior appointment to fill the same vacancy was not confirmed by the Senate. For the purpose of confirmation, the Senate may meet at any time. If the Senate fails to vote on the appointment of a justice within 90 days, the justice will be deemed confirmed and will take office. The Judicial Qualifications Commission is an independent commission created by the State Constitution to investigate and prosecute before the Florida Supreme Court alleged misconduct by a justice or judge. Currently under the constitution, commission proceedings are confidential until formal charges are filed by the investigative panel of the commission. Once formal charges are filed, the formal charges and all further proceedings of the commission are public. Currently, the constitution authorizes the House of Representatives to impeach a justice or judge. Further, the Speaker of the House of Representatives may request, and the Judicial Qualifications Commission must make available, all information in the commission's possession for use in deciding whether to impeach a justice or judge. This proposed revision requires the commission to make all of its files available to the Speaker of the House of Representatives but provides that such files would remain confidential during any investigation by the House of Representatives and until such information is used in the pursuit of an impeachment of a justice or judge. This revision also removes the power of the Governor to request files of the Judicial Qualifications Commission to conform to a prior constitutional change. This revision also makes technical and clarifying additions and deletions relating to the selection of chief judges of a circuit and relating to the Judicial Qualifications Commission, and makes other nonsubstantive conforming and technical changes in the judicial article of the constitution.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p>
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<p>NO. 6 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE I, SECTION 28</p> <p>Prohibition on Public Funding of Abortions; Construction of Abortion Rights</p> <p>This proposed amendment provides that public funds may not be expended for any abortion or for health-benefits coverage that includes coverage of abortion. This prohibition does not apply to an expenditure required by federal law, a case in which a woman suffers from a physical disorder, physical injury, or physical illness that would place her in danger of death unless an abortion is performed, or a case of rape or incest. This proposed amendment provides that the State Constitution may not be interpreted to create broader rights to an abortion than those contained in the United States Constitution. With respect to abortion, this proposed amendment overrules court decisions which conclude that the right of privacy under Article I, Section 23 of the State Constitution is broader in scope than that of the United States Constitution.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p>NO. 9 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE VII, SECTION 6 ARTICLE XII, SECTION 32</p> <p>Homestead Property Tax Exemption for Surviving Spouse of Military Veteran or First Responder</p> <p>Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to authorize the Legislature to provide by general law ad valorem homestead property tax relief to the surviving spouse of a military veteran who died from service-connected causes while on active duty or to the surviving spouse of a first responder who died in the line of duty. The amendment authorizes the Legislature to totally exempt or partially exempt such surviving spouse's homestead property from ad valorem taxation. The amendment defines a first responder as a law enforcement officer, a correctional officer, a firefighter, an emergency medical technician, or a paramedic. This amendment shall take effect January 1, 2013.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p>NO. 11 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE VII, SECTION 6</p> <p>Additional Homestead Exemption; Low-Income Seniors Who Maintain Long-Term Residency on Property; Equal to Assessed Value</p> <p>Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to authorize the Legislature, by general law and subject to conditions set forth in the general law, to allow counties and municipalities to grant an additional homestead tax exemption equal to the assessed value of homestead property if the property has a just value less than \$250,000 to an owner who has maintained permanent residency on the property for not less than 25 years, who has attained age 65, and who has a low household income as defined by general law.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p>
<p>VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT</p>		
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