

NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION HARNETT, NORTH CAROLINA

A primary election will be held on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 in Harnett County to vote in the following contests: **Democratic Party- US House of Representatives District 2, NC House of Representatives District 53 and/or Board of Education District 3. Republican Party- US House of Representatives District 2, Sheriff and/or Board of Education District 5.** There are no Libertarian offices contested in this primary. Unaffiliated voters will be asked to select a party for the primary, in the event of a second primary they must vote the same party.

Polls will be open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on the day of the election, Tuesday, May 8. One-stop early voting will be held at the Harnett County Board of Elections office. One-stop early voting will be open from Thursday, April 19 until 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 5. **Additional Hours and locations may be added, please go to www.harnett.org/elections to view the one-stop schedule.** Canvass will be held in the Harnett County Board of Elections office at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, May 18.

Absentee voting by mail is available. Requests for an absentee ballot must be made on an absentee request form (available on the State Board of Elections website, at the county board of elections office and where one-stop early voting is offered), and must be received in the Harnett Board of Elections office or any one-stop early voting site by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 1. Absentee voting requires the voter to complete an application on the return envelope that must be witnessed by two qualified persons or a notary public. Completed absentee ballots must be returned to the Harnett Board of Elections by 5:00 p.m. on Election Day (ballots received by mail after this time will be timely if received within three business days and postmarked by Election Day). Voters may receive assistance voting a mail-in absentee ballot from a qualified person of their choice. If the voter lives in a facility such as a nursing home, and the voter's near relative or legal guardian is not available, the voter or the facility can arrange to have the county board of elections schedule a visit by a Multipartisan Assistance Team to provide assistance and serve as witnesses.

All persons who are registered to vote with the Harnett County Board of Elections may vote in this election. Persons who are not already registered to vote in the county must register by Friday, April 13 to be eligible to vote in this election. Voters who are not registered in the county by that deadline may register and vote during one stop early voting only, and will be required to provide documentation of their identity and residence. Voters who wish to change party affiliation or who have changed name or address must do so by the registration deadline. Voters who fail to timely make a change in name or address in the county must update the information when presenting to vote, and may be required to vote a provisional ballot.

Voters voting in person are entitled to assistance by an election official, or, if assistance is needed due to disability or illiteracy, by a qualified person of their choice. Voting sites are accessible to all voters. Curbside voting is available for voters who are not able to enter voting sites.

Persons with questions about registration, polling places, early voting, absentee ballots, a Multipartisan Assistance Team visit to a facility or other election matters may call the Harnett County Board of Elections Office at 910-893-7553.

James Currin, Chairman
Harnett County Board of Elections