Election Day: November 3

Why should you vote?
Voting is one of the most powerful ways to make your voice heard in our democracy, but in 2016, only 61.4% of the voting age population in the United States reported voting.

Modern technology has improved access to information on candidates and made it easier to register to vote in many areas, and it is vital to be aware of how you can participate in the 2020 election.

Mississippi’s absentee and mail-in voting procedures

Permanent absentee / mail-in voting procedures:
- Excuse required to request an absentee ballot

2020 state absentee / mail-in voting status:
- Coronavirus updates: Absentee/mail-in ballot postmark deadline extended to November 3, 2020, for the November 3, 2020, election; receipt deadline extended to November 8, 2020; voters in the November 3, 2020, general election can cite concerns over COVID-19 as a valid excuse for voting absentee.

How can you register to vote in Mississippi?

To register to vote in Mississippi, visit the State Board of Elections website for more information on voter eligibility and the registration process.

To begin the registration process, visit the Mississippi State Election Office’s webpage for more details.

Deadlines to know for voting in Mississippi

Voter registration deadline:
October 4, 2020
Thirty days before an election.

Absentee / Mail-In voting ballot deadlines:
- Request must be received by
  - No Deadline
  - No deadline; at voter’s discretion

Ballot submission deadline:
- By email or fax: Must be received by the Circuit Clerk’s Office by 7:00 pm CST on November 3, 2020 (Election Day).
- By mail, Must be postmarked by Election Day and received within 5 business days.

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