



## BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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### **ABSENTEE AND PROVISIONAL VOTING DATES ANNOUNCED FOR NOVEMBER ELECTION**

**(Columbus)**- Franklin County voters may cast absentee ballots or request them starting tomorrow for the Nov. 6, 2007 General Election.

"We're reminding voters that anyone eligible to cast a ballot has the option of voting absentee by mail from the privacy of their home or in person at our offices," said Franklin County Board of Elections Director Matt Damschroder. More than 103,000 voted absentee in Franklin County's November 2006 General Election in addition to nearly 386,000 others who cast ballots at the polls. Election officials expect more than 25,000 to cast absentee ballots this fall.

Absentee ballot applications are available online at <http://vote.franklincountyohio.gov> and at local public libraries or by mail from the Board of Elections by calling 462-3100. Voters may also cast absentee ballots at the board's offices from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. weekdays through Nov. 5 and on Saturday Oct. 27 and Nov. 3 from 8:00 a.m. to noon.

Voted absentee ballots must be returned to the Board of Elections by 7:30 p.m. on Election Day. Extended deadlines are available for voters living in foreign countries or serving in the armed services. Military and out-of-country civilian ballots must be postmarked before the polls close on Nov. 6 and received by the board by Nov. 16.

Voters who haven't updated their registration to show that they've changed their address or name are encouraged to file new Voter Registration Cards by Oct. 9. Those who do not may still participate in the election by casting a provisional ballot at the board's offices beginning Oct. 10 or in their new home precinct on Election Day. Provisional voting at the board of elections is scheduled weekdays between Oct. 10 and Nov. 5 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., on Saturday Oct. 27 and Saturday Nov. 3 from 8:00 a.m. to noon and on Election Day, Tuesday Nov. 6, from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

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