

BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Dennis L. White, Director

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Absentee Voting Hours Extended

(Columbus) Because of record demand, absentee voting hours will be extended today, the final day to vote absentee for the March Primary.

Absentee voting will be held at the board of elections at 280 E. Broad Street, Columbus, from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. which is four hours longer than planned.

To date, more than 119,000 voters have requested absentee ballots by mail and in person for the primary with nearly 80,000 or 67 percent of the ballots returned so far. More than 4,600 voters have cast ballots at the board since Feb. 8 when absentee voting began.

"The absentee turnout was especially heavy here at the board of elections Saturday morning with roughly 1,000 people voting before noon," said Director Dennis White. "We've decided to stay open longer than planned tonight to help as many people as possible vote absentee."

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