

# Coronavirus and Elections 2020

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## **LATEST CHANGES (6/1/20-6/25/20)**

### **There are no new emergencies or Executive Orders affecting Elections**

**Democratic Presidential Primary** – The June 23<sup>rd</sup> Primary was conducted with 278 ballots cast in person between June 13<sup>th</sup> and June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Absentee ballots post marked on or before June 23<sup>rd</sup> are still being received. At present there are 792 ballots waiting to be counted. Unofficial results of the Democratic Presidential Primary in-person voting are posted in Election Results. Yates County's Absentee Ballots and Affidavit Ballots are scheduled to be opened and counted starting on July 1<sup>st</sup> at 1 PM. Due to the very heavy volume of Absentee Ballots cast by voters across the state, the State may force us to delay our opening and counting process.

## **OLDER CHANGES AND NEWS**

**VILLAGE ELECTIONS:** Village Elections are scheduled for September 15<sup>th</sup>. All of the ballots and election preparations for the Penn Yan Village Election are frozen and will be used on September 15<sup>th</sup>. Prior absentee ballots are still valid. Any person requesting an absentee ballot for the new date may apply to the Board of Elections and ballots will be sent out in August. The rules governing this Village Absentee Ballot are not affected by the Governor's Executive Orders and will follow the more restrictive reasons used prior to the COVID-19 special rules.

**GENERAL ELECTION:** The General Election is unchanged and is scheduled for November 3<sup>rd</sup>. In this election, there will be contests for President, Congress, State Supreme Court Judges, State Senate and Assembly, Yates County Coroner and Town of Jerusalem Town Board. At this time, the rules governing this Absentee Ballot are not affected by the Governor's Executive Orders and will follow the more restrictive reasons used prior to the COVID-19 special rules.

**BOARD OF ELECTIONS OFFICE REMAINS CLOSED:** A reduced staff is physically in the office to process phone calls and mail. Walk in public access to the office has been halted until June 1<sup>st</sup> and all business is being conducted remotely by email or phone.

**UPDATES:** This web page will be updated as information is received from the Governor's Office, the State Board of Elections and the Yates County Administrator