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CONTRA COSTA COUNTY ELECTIONS
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The Elections Office is a beehive of activity between elections.

We are continually updating and adding voter and poll worker records; mapping districts and adjusting precinct lines; finding new polling places and conducting surveys; doing preventive maintenance on our equipment; revising and creating procedures; and much more so we are fully prepared for the March 2020 election.

Whew! There's a lot going on!



APPLE is Back!

After the resounding success of our APPLE class last year—including 830 attendees and two national awards—we're bringing it back!

APPLE 2.0 begins August 27, 2019.

Whether you're new to APPLE or coming back for a second bite, this class is for you!

It's still Accessible Polling Place Locations and Equipment, but APPLE 2.0 has refreshed content and will continue our ongoing conversation about accessibility in Contra Costa.

All attendees will receive a new, limited-edition APPLE 2.0 pin.

Keep an eye on your inbox for the full bushel of APPLE 2.0 classes and instructions for how to sign up.



Is Your Info Current?

Have you recently moved? Have a new email address or phone number?

Now is the perfect time to verify and update your information so you receive your assignment notice for the March 2020 Presidential Primary Election.

Review your information by logging in to your account at www.cocoteam.us.

If you already know you will not be available in March, have a question, or need assistance, email us at eo@vote.cccounty.us or call (925) 335-7800, option 1.



The Life of your Vote by Mail Ballot

Ever wonder about the life of your Vote by Mail (VBM) ballot? Let's take a look...

Your VBM ballot is mailed 29 days before the election.



Once you have completed your ballot and signed your envelope, you can:

- Mail it postage free,
- Return it to a Drop Box located throughout the county,
- Deliver it to an early voting site, or
- Bring it to a polling place on Election Day.



Once we have received your ballot, it goes through a signature review process to prevent double voting and confirm that you were the one who signed your envelope.



Once verified, the envelope is opened and your ballot is removed. Your ballot is placed in a box, secured, and ready to be scanned and tallied.



A few days before the election, we begin scanning the ballots received so far. These votes are included in the first results announced shortly after the polls close at 8:00pm on Election Day. The process continues as we receive the VBM ballots returned at polling places on Election Day and those postmarked and received by our office within 3 days of the election.



70%
of registered voters in Contra Costa County are Vote by Mail voters.

Reasons to Vote by Mail

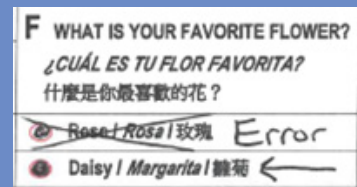
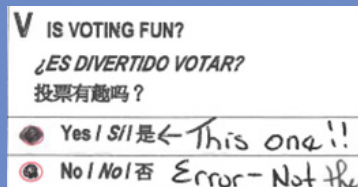


- You can vote when and where you choose.
- You have weeks to vote, not just one day.
- You have plenty of time to research candidates and measures.
- There is no rush to your polling place on Election Day.
- You can complete your ballot at your own pace.
- You can return your ballot at no cost.

Did you know...?



If you make an error, you don't need to request a new ballot, simply make your intent clear.



You can track your ballot at www.cocovote.us by clicking on the "Track my Vote by Mail" button.

Make the switch today! Email ballot@vote.cccounty.us or call (925) 335-7800.

"No individual can win a game by himself." – Pele