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Supervisor of Elections Offers Voter Registration Events August 3 is the Deadline to Register for September 1 Elections

Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections Deborah Clark is announcing voter registration events and reminding St. Petersburg and Belleair Bluffs residents that **Monday, August 3** is the **voter registration deadline** to vote in the September 1 St. Petersburg Primary and Belleair Bluffs Referendum elections.

The Belleair Bluffs Referendum Election will be conducted by all mail ballot; ballots will automatically be mailed to **ALL registered voters** in Belleair Bluffs.



Registration is required for new voters by this deadline in order to participate in either of these elections. Voters who are already registered to vote do not need to re-register.

You can register to vote or update your voter information at **any Supervisor of Elections office**, **public library**, **driver license office** or government office handling social services. Some public libraries have evening and weekend hours.

Clark's office has also scheduled voter registration drives and demonstrations of the optical scan voting system. You can register to vote, update your address, name, party or signature, and request mail ballots at any of the following voter education events:

- July 21 Childs Park Library/YMCA Lobby, 691 43rd St. S., St. Petersburg, 1 3 p.m.
- July 22 North Branch Public Library, 861 70th Ave. N., St. Petersburg, 1 3 p.m.
- July 24 Mirror Lake Library, 280 5th St. N., St. Petersburg, 1 3 p.m. (No optical scanner at this event.)
- July 27 West Branch Library, 750 66th St. N., St. Petersburg, noon 2 p.m.
- July 28 Johnson Branch Public Library, 1059 18th Ave. S., St. Petersburg, 1 3 p.m.
- July 29 South Branch Library, 2300 Roy Hanna Drive/62nd Ave., St. Petersburg, 1 3 p.m.

Citizens who are registered anywhere in Florida and now reside in Pinellas County can make name, address or signature updates through Election Day. However, voters are encouraged to update their voter information prior to Election Day to avoid delays. Address changes within the county may be made by phone. Other updates may be made by completing and signing a *Voter Registration Application* with the changes noted.

To request a ballot by mail or for more information, call (727) 464-6788 or log onto <u>www.votepinellas.com</u>. For an updated voter registration event list, visit <u>www.votepinellas.com</u> and click on Voter Registration Events in the "What's New" section of the home page.

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