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**Leon County Supervisor of Elections Encourages Voters to Request and Return Vote-by-Mail Ballots  
for 2024 Presidential Preference Primary Election**

**Leon County, FL** – Mark S. Earley, Supervisor of Elections for Leon County, encourages voters to request and return Vote-by-Mail ballots on time for the 2024 Presidential Preference Primary Election (PPP). “Voters should take action to ensure that their ballot will be received on time,” said Supervisor Earley. “In order for the ballot to be counted, it must be received by my office by 7 p.m. on Election Day, March 19. If you have not yet mailed your ballot, I recommend that you mail or drop it off soon to ensure that it is received in time.”

If a voter has not yet requested a Vote-by-Mail ballot, there is still time to do so. The deadline to request to be mailed a ballot is March 7. Requests can be made online at [LeonVotes.gov](http://LeonVotes.gov) by clicking “Your Voter Info” or by calling the Elections Office at (850) 606-8683, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

After the March 7 deadline, voters can continue to pick up a Vote-by-Mail ballot in person from the Elections Office. Starting on March 9, if a voter wants to pick up a Vote-by-Mail ballot, they must list an emergency that prevents them from voting in person. Voters can also have a family member or someone else they designate pick up a Vote-by-Mail ballot for them.

The Postal Service recommends that voters mail their ballots at least one week before Election Day. Alternatively, voters can hand-deliver their Vote-by-Mail ballot to a secure ballot intake station (also known as a drop box) located at each Early Voting site during voting hours. Early Voting starts on Saturday, March 9 and runs through Sunday, March 17. Voters can also have a family member drop off the ballot for them. They can also be returned to the Elections Office during regular business hours, with extended hours on Election Day. Ballots must be returned in the green envelope, with the voter’s signature and date signed.

The PPP is part of how political parties select presidential candidates. Since the Florida Democratic Party nominated Joe Biden as their sole candidate and there are no other contests on the ballot in Leon County, only voters registered with the Republican Party of Florida will have a ballot in the Leon County PPP.

Leon County voters registered with the Democratic Party, a minor party, or no party will not receive a ballot in this election. The deadline to change party affiliation in time for this election was February 20.

Voters with questions are encouraged to contact the Supervisor of Elections Office by email at [Vote@LeonVotes.gov](mailto:Vote@LeonVotes.gov), or by phone at (850) 606-8683, Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.

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