

Election Worker News  
Montgomery County Board of Elections  
June 2018

Dates to  
Remember  
**2018**

**Election Worker  
Training Classes End**  
June 16, 2018

**Walk-in Practice  
Sessions**  
June 11 - June 20,  
2018

**Early Voting**  
June 14 – 21, 2018

**Primary  
Election Day**  
June 26, 2018



## June 26 Primary Election

There are less than 21 days before the June 26, 2018 Primary Election, so it's time to get ready.

Training classes will end on June 16<sup>th</sup>, so be sure to schedule and complete your class. You must have completed the Stage I Training Quiz, to be eligible to schedule and take the hands-on training.

We have begun making assignments for those who have completed training. Each precinct has a limited number of positions. Our goal is to place everyone in their home or voting precinct. Workers who waited to complete their training will be assigned to precincts with vacancies or asked to serve as a Standby Worker. **Log into the EJ Connection to view your assignment.**

All election workers are required to attend the mandatory Monday Night Set-up Meeting at 6:30 pm on June 25, 2018 at their assigned work location. Chief Judges will call or email each worker to confirm the meeting time.

**"Do More Than Vote"** Sign up to become an election worker Today! [Go to our website: www.777vote.org](http://www.777vote.org)

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**Chief Judge Dates**

June 21 – 23      Chief Judge Briefings (Scheduling information coming soon)

June 23            Chief Judge Bag Pick-up 7:00 am to 2:00 pm

**Important Information**

**Monday Night Set-up Meeting**

Report at 6:30 pm to your assigned precinct, unless a Chief Judge tells you a different time. The Chief Judges may reschedule the time after talking to each team member. If you do not hear from a Chief Judge report at 6:30 pm. The meeting should be about two hours. You will set-up the precinct and meet briefly to discuss work assignments, meals, etc.

**Election Day Arrival Time**

Election judges are expected to arrive at their assigned polling place no later than 6:00 a.m. or the beginning of their assigned shift. Closing judges should report no later than 6:30 p.m.

**Tips for Election Judges**

1. Bring a sweater or jacket in case the polling place is cold.
2. Bring enough food and drinks to last the entire day.
3. Bring any medications you may need. You may not leave the polling place to get any materials.
4. Clothing should be clean, pressed, and fit properly. Do not wear revealing tops, torn jeans, shorts, short dresses, mini-skirts, flip flops, lounge pants or t-shirts with logos.
5. Give family members the precinct telephone number in case they need to reach you in an emergency. Ask your Chief Judge for the number Monday night at the meeting

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**General Rules for All Election Judges**

1. Do not wear campaign buttons, t-shirts or other politically oriented items. Electioneering by election judges is not allowed.
2. Do not comment on candidates or political issues among your fellow election judges, voters, or anyone inside the voting room and within the "No Electioneering Zone."
3. Serve all voters promptly and courteously. Be alert for voters needing assistance.
4. Do not leave the polling place at any time.
5. Do not smoke inside the site or at the polling place entrance.
6. Dress comfortably and appropriately (Business casual).
7. Do not bring family members or friends with you to help. Only voters and people approved by the local board of elections (e.g., election judges, challengers and watchers, staff) are allowed in the polling place.
8. Keep conversations with family members, friends, and neighbors brief and focused on the voting process.
9. Remain at your work station at all times unless you are on an assigned break, using the restroom, assisting a voter or performing a task at the direction of a chief judge.
10. Refer questions from the media and challengers and watchers to chief judges. Chief Judges should refer their questions to the Roamer or the local board of elections.
11. Only electronic devices such as cell phones, tablets and pagers issued or authorized by the local board of elections may be used in the polling place and may only be used for election related purposes. **Election judges may NOT use cell phones at any time while in the polling place.**
12. Read and comply with the Election Judge Code of Conduct provided by the board of elections and signed during training.

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**Your Vote**

All election workers are asked to vote by absentee ballot or during the early voting period. Chief and Voting Operation judges who are **not** assigned to work in their voting precinct must vote by absentee ballot or during early voting (or cast a provisional ballot in their work precinct), since they will be unable to go to their voting precinct on Election Day. For more information on absentee ballots or early voting locations, go to our website at [www.777vote.org](http://www.777vote.org).

**Payroll & Payment Information**

Election workers must sign the payroll form for each day they work in early voting, on Monday night and Tuesday, Election Day. Failure to sign the payroll may result in non-payment. Election worker payments will be mailed six weeks after the election to the current address on file. Student Service Learning (SSL) forms will be emailed after the election to each student.

Workers who complete training but do not serve will not be paid. To receive payment, workers must provide their social security number prior to working the election. All early voting and election day amounts will be included in one check.

**Canvass Workers Needed**

We are currently recruiting election workers to participate in the post-election Canvass. The canvass will be held June 28 – 30th and July 5 - 7<sup>th</sup>. Selected individuals will be assigned to work in bipartisan teams.

To qualify, applicant must:

- Have completed training and worked on Election Day
- Be able to follow verbal instructions
- Be able to work in a team environment
- Be able to accurately perform repetitive tasks
- Be available each day from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm or until released.

If interested, please send an email with the subject line "Working the Canvass" to [absentee@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:absentee@montgomerycountymd.gov).

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**Important Notice: Maryland State Board of Elections**

2018 Primary Election: Changes to Democratic Candidates for Governor – Notice Plan

**Issued: May 24, 2018**

As a result of the recent death of Kevin Kamenetz, Democratic candidate for Governor, the State Administrator has determined that the local boards of elections must notify Democratic voters of the impact of his death. The notice is necessary, as it is not possible at this time to change each county's ballot database and generate, proof and print ballots with the successor ticket of Valerie Ervin and Marisol Johnson.

Accompanying this document is the required notice. As it has been reviewed and approved by the Office of the Attorney General, the content and format of this notice cannot be changed. Each local board shall print or copy this notice on white paper.

To ensure adequate notice is provided, each local board of elections shall:

1. Post the notice on the inside of every voting booth deployed for early voting and Election Day.
2. Post the notice on the inside of every ExpressVote privacy booth deployed for early voting and Election Day.
3. Post the notice inside the voting booth, privacy booth, or other area where provisional voters mark their ballots.
4. Post the notice in the same general location as other signs providing information to voters at voting locations.
5. Include the notice in absentee ballot packets issued to walk-in voters and packets issued as part of each local board's nursing home and assisted living program.
6. Post the notice at each canvassing session of the local board of canvassers.
7. At the start of each canvass, refer to the posted notice and state that a vote for Mr. Kamenetz and Ms. Ervin will be counted as a vote for Ms. Ervin and Ms. Johnson.
8. Incorporate into upcoming election judges' trainings the notice and train election judges on the verbal instructions for voters using the ExpressVote ballot marking device.
9. Distribute to election judges SBE's "last minute instructions" that will include the notice and the requirement to provide this information verbally to voters using the ExpressVote ballot marking device.
10. Provide on its homepage a link to SBE's webpage with the notice. (The address of the specific webpage will be provided shortly.)
11. Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday through Election Day, post on social media accounts language provided by SBE.
12. Instruct LBE staff members to read the notice to voters who call asking how to vote for the Ervin/Johnson ticket.

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In addition to these efforts, SBE has or will do the following:

1. Add to SBE's homepage and the "2018 Elections" webpage the notice.
2. Update SBE's online candidate listing to reflect the successor ticket.
3. Post on SBE's social media accounts a link to the notice.
4. Instruct SBE staff members and SBE's call center staff members to read the notice to voters who call asking how to vote for the Ervin/Johnson ticket.
5. Update the list of Democratic gubernatorial candidates on SBE's online voter look-up system. (This list is found under the "My Candidate Information" tab.)
6. Incorporate into SBE's online voter look-up system the notice for voters who want to view their sample ballots. (This is found under the "Sample Ballot" tab.)
7. Require the vendor responsible for mailing absentee ballot packets to include the notice in packets mailed to requesting Democratic voters.
8. Incorporate the notice into SBE's online ballot delivery system.
9. Include the notice in the absentee ballot packets for Democratic voters who requested electronic delivery of their absentee ballots.
10. Notify (via mail or email) Democratic voters whose absentee ballots have already been mailed or transmitted electronically.
11. Distribute to the local boards revised written and verbal instructions to incorporate in upcoming election judges' training sessions.
12. Distribute to the local boards "last minute instructions" for election judges with instructions to provide voters using the ExpressVote ballot marking device with verbal notice.
13. Provide the notice to the Department of Defense's Federal Voting Assistance Program, the Maryland Democratic Party, the National Federation of the Blind (which produces and distributes an audio ballot), and other requesting organizations.

If a local board has suggestions for alternate or additional ways to provide notice, please contact SBE. Since uniformity is of critical importance, a local board must obtain SBE's approval before providing notice in an alternate or additional way.

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*To be posted in each site/precinct*

**IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT THE DEMOCRATIC CONTEST  
FOR GOVERNOR AND LT. GOVERNOR**

The following candidates for Governor and Lt. Governor will appear on Democratic ballots for the 2018 Primary Election:

- Rushern L. Baker, III and Elizabeth Embry
- Ralph Jaffe and Freda Jaffe
- Ben Jealous and Susan Turnbull
- James Hughes Jones, II and Charles S. Waters
- Kevin Kamenetz and Valerie Ervin\*
- Rich Madaleno and Luwanda Jenkins
- Alec Ross and Julie C. Verratti
- Jim Shea and Brandon M. Scott
- Krish O'Mara Vignarajah and Sharon Y. Blake

\* On May 10, 2018, Kevin Kamenetz, a candidate for Governor for the Democratic Party, died. The former candidacy of Kevin Kamenetz and Valerie Ervin has been replaced by the candidacy of Valerie Ervin and Marisol Johnson.

If you wish to vote for Valerie Ervin and Marisol Johnson, mark your ballot for Kevin Kamenetz and Valerie Ervin. All votes cast for Kevin Kamenetz and Valerie Ervin will be counted as votes for Valerie Ervin and Marisol Johnson.

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**Contacting Us**

- **General Questions:** Call 240-777-8533
- **Email:** [election.judge@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:election.judge@montgomerycountymd.gov).
- **Fax:** 240-777-8578; **Website:** [www.777vote.org](http://www.777vote.org)
- **Mailing Address**  
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Election Worker Program  
P.O. Box 4710  
Rockville, MD 20849-4710

**Recruiters**

**Election Day**

Uricka Battle – Districts 1, 2, 3, 9, 11 and 12	240-777-8659
Deborah Hamer – Districts 4, 6, and 10	240-777-8571
Kara Springer – Districts 5, 7 and 8	240-777-8576
Aishah Mills-Pherigo – District 13	240-777-8572

**Early Voting**

EV Lead – Jessica Jones	240-777-8577
Maria Rodriguez	240-777-8573