



Ready. Set. VOTE!

A Voter's Guide to the May 19, 2026 Primary Election

Clackamas County Clerk and Elections conducts federal, state, and local elections for all voters living in Clackamas County. There will be a gubernatorial primary election held on May 19, 2026. It includes local and state measures as well as local, state, and federal candidates. Where you live determines what is on your ballot.

We invite you to Get Ready, Get Set, and VOTE!

Register to vote or update your voter registration information

Qualifications to be a voter in Oregon:

You can register to vote if you are a resident of Oregon, a citizen of the United States, and you are at least 16 years old. You will get your first ballot in the mail when you are at least 18 years old.

Register to vote: The Voter Registration and Party Choice Deadline is April 28, 2026.

- **Register to vote online** at the Oregon Secretary of State website oregonvotes.gov. You can use your Oregon driver's license, identification card, or the last four digits of your Social Security Number to sign up online. The deadline to register to vote online is April 28, 2026 at 11:59 p.m.
- **Register to vote by filling out a paper** *Oregon Voter Registration Card*. You can get a paper form at the Clackamas County Elections office, your public library, Oregon Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) office, or post office. Your paper form must be returned to the elections office or mailed with a postmark no later than April 28. The United States Postal Service (USPS) postmark no longer reflects the actual date your mail was sent. If you are mailing your *Oregon Voter Registration Card* close to the Voter Registration and Party Choice Deadline, you should take it to the counter at a local post office and request that the postmark be applied by hand. If you are unable to do that, we recommend that you mail your paper form back a week before the deadline or visit the Clackamas County Elections office in person to return your paper form.

- Register to vote in person. **Clackamas County Elections is open Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. The office will also be open until 7 p.m. on the Voter Registration and Party Choice Deadline, Tuesday, April 28.**

Contact Clackamas County Elections for assistance with your voter registration.

Oregon has closed party primary elections

Major political parties in Oregon hold primary elections to choose candidates to represent them in general elections. Oregon law allows major political parties to decide whether to hold open or closed primary elections 90 days before the election.

The two major political parties (Democratic Party and Republican Party) are holding closed party primary elections. Only voters registered with the major party holding the primary election can participate in its primary election. **If you wish to participate in the major party nominating process and vote for either the Democratic or Republican Party candidates in the May 2026 Primary, you must register with one of the two parties by the Voter Registration and Party Choice Deadline on Tuesday, April 28, 2026.** You can update or choose a political party at the Secretary of State website oregonvotes.gov or with a paper *Oregon Voter Registration Card* by the deadline.

Sign up for Track Your Ballot!

Trust that your vote counts with simple, secure mail ballot tracking. Know where your ballot is in the voting process from mailed to accepted.

As a Clackamas County voter, you can sign up to receive alerts via text, phone, or email. Know when your ballot is mailed to you. After you vote and return your ballot, be alerted when it has been accepted for counting. Your vote remains anonymous and confidential.

Sign up online for Track Your Ballot at clackamas.us/elections/track-your-ballot. This service is free for voters.

Getting your ballot

Clackamas County Elections mails ballots to all eligible voters beginning Wednesday, April 29. If you do not receive your ballot by May 7 contact Clackamas County Elections for assistance.

Voters who will be away from home on Election Day can request an absentee ballot. Absentee ballots can be mailed to your temporary address or picked up at the elections office beginning April 20. Contact Clackamas County Elections to request an absentee ballot.

Two voter service locations to assist you!

Clackamas County Elections will open a pop-up vote center inside the Happy Valley Library starting May 4 for voters needing assistance. The **Happy Valley Vote Center** provides a closer choice for voters in Happy Valley, Sandy, Damascus and other north-east communities. Voters can choose the location that works best for them.

Each voter service location is staffed by sworn election officials. At the vote center citizens can replace a lost or damaged ballot, update voter registration information, get voting assistance if they have a disability, get voting assistance in a preferred language, return their voted ballot, or vote in person.

Happy Valley Vote Center

Inside the Happy Valley Library
13793 SE Sieben Park Way
Happy Valley OR 97015
OPEN May 4 – May 19

Clackamas County Elections Office

Oregon City Red Soils Campus
1710 Red Soils Ct., Suite 100
Oregon City OR 97045
OPEN Year-round

Hours for both locations:

Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Saturday, May 16, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Election Day, Tuesday, May 19, 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Twenty-six Official Ballot Drop Sites

Two ways to return your voted ballot – by mail or Official Ballot Drop Site

- Mail your voted ballot back a week before Election Day. No stamp needed! Mailed ballots must have a valid postmark on or before Election Day, May 19, 2026. The United States Postal Service (USPS) postmark no longer reflects the actual date your mail was sent. If you are mailing your ballot close to Election Day, you should take it to the counter at a local post office and request that the postmark be applied by hand. If you are unable to do that, we recommend that you return your voted ballot to an Official Ballot Drop Site.
- 24-Hour Official Ballot Drop Sites are located throughout the county. You may deposit your ballot at any Official Ballot Drop Site in the state until 8 p.m. on Election Day, May 19, 2026. Find your nearest Official Ballot Drop Site below or at clackamas.us/elections.

Official Ballot Drop Site Locations: Locations marked with an asterisk* have drive-up access.

Boring

Clackamas County Bank*
28500 SE Highway 212

Canby

Canby Civic Building
222 NE 2nd Ave.

Canby – Arneson Garden*
249 S Sequoia Parkway

Colton

Colton Tel*
20983 S Hwy 211

Damascus

Damascus Square*
19830-20000 SE Hwy 212

Estacada

Estacada City Hall
475 SE Main St.

Estacada Public Library*
825 NW Wade St.

Gladstone

Gladstone Civic Center
18505 Portland Ave.

Happy Valley

Happy Valley City Hall*
16000 SE Misty Dr.

Happy Valley Library
13793 SE Sieben Park Way

Lake Oswego

Lake Oswego City Hall*
380 A Ave.

Lake Oswego – Westlake Park*
14165 Bunick Dr.

Milwaukie / Oak Lodge

Clackamas Community College – Harmony
Campus
7738 SE Harmony Rd.

Milwaukie City Hall
10501 SE Main St. (***Located at new City Hall***)

Milwaukie Public Safety Building
3200 SE Harrison St.

NEW LOCATION Oak Lodge Library/Concord
Community Center*
3783 SE Concord Rd.

Molalla

Molalla Public Library*
201 E 5th St.

Oregon City

Clackamas County Clerk and Elections
Office*
1710 Red Soils Ct.

Clackamas Community College – Oregon
City*
19600 Molalla Ave. (*Located at student drop-
off, near Orange Lot and TriMet bus station by
Rook Hall*)

Oregon City - City Hall *
625 Center St.

Sandy

Sandy City Hall
39250 Pioneer Blvd.

Sandy Public Library*
38980 Proctor Blvd.

Welches

Hoodland Public Library
24525 E Welches Rd.

West Linn

West Linn City Hall
22500 Salamo Rd.

West Linn Public Library
1595 Burns St.

Wilsonville

Wilsonville City Hall*
29799 Town Center Loop E

May 19, 2026 Primary Election Countdown

- April 28 – Voter Registration Deadline and Party Choice Deadline. Clackamas County Elections Oregon City office open until 7 p.m. to serve voters.
- April 29 – Clackamas County Elections mails ballots to voters. Official Ballot Drop Sites are opened.
- May 4 – Happy Valley Vote Center opens in the Happy Valley Library.
- May 7 – All eligible voters should have received their ballots. Contact Clackamas County Elections if you have not received your ballot.
- May 16 – Clackamas County Elections Oregon City office and Happy Valley Vote Center is open Saturday, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
- May 19 – **Election Day!** Clackamas County Elections Oregon City office and Happy Valley Vote Center are open 7 a.m. – 8 pm. Unofficial Elections Results will be posted online at clackamas.us/elections starting at 8 p.m.
- June 15 – County Clerk will certify election to Oregon Secretary of State.

Contact information

If you have questions or need assistance, contact Clackamas County Elections at 503-655-8510 or elections@clackamas.us. Visit clackamas.us/elections for more information about the May 19, 2026 Primary Election.

Thank You for Voting!