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CANDIDATE FILING TO BEGIN FOR SCHOOL BOARD AND MUNICIPAL POSITIONS

(LITTLE ROCK, ARK.) – School board and municipal candidate filing begin next week in two overlapping filing periods in Pulaski County. School District Board filing begins, Monday, July 27, at noon and runs through August 3, at noon. Municipal candidate filing begins at noon, on Wednesday, July 29 through August 5, and noon. On the weekdays between the start and closing of the filing periods, the hours will be 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Filing will take place at the Pulaski County Courthouse, 401 West Markham Street, Little Rock, Arkansas. Candidates should use only the Spring Street entrance for access to the building. Only candidates filing for office will be permitted into the courthouse. Masks are required and candidates will have their temperature taken upon entry.*

The school districts within Pulaski County that are participating in this filing period are the Little Rock School District, North Little Rock School District and Pulaski County Special School District.

Municipal candidates will be running for seats in city government in Cammack Village, Maumelle, North Little Rock and Wrightsville. Little Rock candidates file at the same time but will do so at Little Rock City Hall. (Candidates for municipal seats in Sherwood and Jacksonville with also be on the November 3 ballot. They filed with the Pulaski County Clerk earlier in the year.)

Candidates are required to submit a petition, political practices pledge, and an affidavit of eligibility with the county clerk.

IMPORTANT ELECTION DATES

Monday, July 27	Candidate Filing Period Begins for School Board Elections 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	
	July 28 – 31	8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday, July 29	Candidate Filing Period 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Begins for Municipal Elections
	July 30 – 31 August 3 – 4	8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Monday, August 3	Candidate Filing Period Ends for School Board Elections 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Wednesday, August 5	Candidate Filing Period Ends for Municipal Elections 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Monday, October 5	Last Day for New Voters to Register
Monday, October 19	Early Voting begins
Tuesday, October 27	Last Day to Submit an Application for Absentee Ballot via Mail
Tuesday, October 27 Friday, October 30	Last Day to Submit an Application for Absentee Ballot via Mail Last Day to Change Address for Voter Registration

*The Pulaski County Circuit and County Clerk's office has extended its temporary operations through October 4, 2020 in accordance with County Judge Barry Hyde's executive order restricting access to county buildings to the public, including the Pulaski County Courthouse. The Clerk's office continues to offer limited in-person services from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. For more details visit <u>www.pulaskiclerk.com</u>.

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The Pulaski County Circuit and County Clerk is Terri Hollingsworth. Hollingsworth was sworn-in to office on January 1, 2019. Pulaski County is one of 18 counties that has combined the two clerk positions. As county clerk, Hollingsworth also serves as the Pulaski County Voter Registrar.

The clerk's staff processes all county voter registration applications, updates and transfers (for changes of address,) and maintains the county's voter registration data. The staff also receives and processes absentee ballot applications and distributes and receives absentee ballots.

The Pulaski County Election Commission manages the selection and administration of polling places, supervision of poll workers, and the counting of ballots. <u>www.votepulaski.net</u>.