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EVERY VOTE COUNTS IN THE JUNE 11 PRIMARY ELECTION

BISMARCK, ND— North Dakota’s Primary Election on Tuesday, June 11, gives people the opportunity to have a voice in who leads their cities, schools, counties, and state. Additionally, there is a statewide ballot measure and other city or county measures that voters will decide.

Primary elections determine which partisan, judicial, and county candidates move forward to the general election in November. City and school contests are final in the primary which means this election determines who will lead and serve at the local level. Every vote counts in the outcomes of these contests.

“Voter turnout for past primary elections has been disappointing,” said North Dakota Secretary of State Michael Howe. “Only 18.8% of eligible voters in North Dakota participated in the 2022 Primary Election. We are fortunate that we have the right to choose our leaders through fair, secure elections. Eligible voters in North Dakota have a responsibility and a right to choose who will best serve their communities.”

North Dakota voters must be at least 18 years of age, a U.S. citizen, and a resident of North Dakota and their precinct for at least 30 days prior to the election.

A valid form of North Dakota identification is required to vote. This can be a North Dakota driver’s license, North Dakota non-driver ID, Tribal ID or letter, or long term care certificate. To streamline the voting process, voters who have moved are encouraged to make sure their ID information is updated before election day. Address changes to North Dakota driver’s licenses and non-driver IDs can be made online through the [North Dakota Department of Transportation \(NDDOT\) website](#) or by calling 701-328-4353.

North Dakotans can go to vote.nd.gov/myvotinginfo to find polling locations and times specific to their address and view a sample of their Primary Election ballot. Voters who are in line at a polling location when it closes are encouraged to stay in line because they will still be allowed to cast a ballot.

Absentee voters need to make sure their ballots are postmarked by June 10 or hand-delivered to their county auditor by 5:00 p.m. on June 10. People can vote at a polling location if they requested and received an absentee ballot but have not returned it. However, if they have returned their absentee ballot, the voter record will show that they have already voted, and they will not be able to cast another ballot at a polling location.

For more information about North Dakota elections, visit vote.nd.gov, email soselect@nd.gov, or call 701-328-4146.

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