1, 2, 3, VOTE

Choose How To Mark Your Ballot

Mark Your Ballot By Hand

1. Receive Ballot
An election worker will give you a ballot. Take the ballot to a privacy booth.

2. Mark Ballot
Mark the oval to the left of your choice using a black ballpoint pen. In a general election only, to cast write-in votes, mark the oval next to the write-in space, then print the candidate’s name.

3. Review Ballot
Review that your ballot is marked correctly. Did you turn it over? There may be contests on the other side!

Mark Your Ballot By Machine

1. Insert Card
Insert the ballot activation card given to you by the election worker.

2. Make Selections
Make selections by touching the screen. Press the "More" button to see all candidates in each contest. Use the "Previous" and "Next" buttons to navigate through the ballot contests. Or use the key pad and headphones (or your own accessibility device) to hear the choices and make selections.

3. Review & Print
Review all selections on the summary screen. Touch a contest to go back and make changes. Then touch "Next" to return to the summary screen. Once your choices are confirmed press "Print Card" and remove the voted ballot. You may also review your printed choices on your printed ballot. Take your printed ballot to the scanning unit.

Scan the Ballot
Insert your ballot into the scanning unit. Your ballot can be tabulated in any orientation (right side up, backward, upside down) A thank you for voting screen will appear after your ballot is accepted and dropped into the secure box.

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