



Boulder County Clerk and Recorder's Office 2014 Primary Election Overview for Canvass Board

Election Overview

All Colorado elections are now conducted by mail ballot. Ballots for the 2014 Primary Election were first mailed on Monday, June 2nd.

Voter Service and Polling Centers (VSPCs)

Boulder County will be operating 6 VSPCs using the following schedule:

Open Monday, June 16th through Election Day (except for Sunday)

- Boulder Clerk and Recorder's Office
- Lafayette Clerk and Recorder's Office
- Longmont Clerk and Recorder's Office
- Longmont Fire Station – Nelson and Airport

Open Monday, June 23rd and Election Day

- Boulder – CU at the Rec Center
- Longmont – New Creations Church

Services available at the VSPCs include:

- Drop off ballot
- Get a replacement ballot
- Vote in-person on a "flat" ballot
- Use accessible voting equipment
- Register to vote
- Update voter registration

In addition to the VSPCs, there are 4 locations available for drive-by or walk-up ballot drop-off. A copy of the voter instruction sheet with all ballot drop-off locations is attached.

2014 Primary Election Ballot

Major Political Party Ballots

The major political parties participating in this year's Primary are American Constitution, Democratic, and Republican. Voters affiliated with one of these parties receive a ballot which contains the contests for their party based on the districts where they reside.

City of Longmont Ballots

In addition to the standard Primary election ballot content, we are running a ballot question for the City of Longmont. This is a bond issue related to drainage improvements after the 2013 flood. All City of Longmont active voters have received a ballot with this issue. Voters affiliated with one of the major political parties listed above have received one ballot containing both primary races and the Longmont issue. All other City of Longmont voters (unaffiliated and minor parties) have been sent a ballot with the City of Longmont issue only.

Since unaffiliated voters have the option to affiliate with a major political party up to and including Election Day, the possibility arises that an unaffiliated City of Longmont voter could vote and return their "City of Longmont Issue-only" ballot, and then decide to affiliate with a major political party and vote that party's Primary ballot. The Statewide Colorado Registration and Election system (SCORE) cannot recognize this circumstance since the voter already has an accepted ballot, and therefore we will be tracking these unique requests manually. Here is a summary of the processes available to voters wishing to affiliate and vote a party ballot, and how we will track their second ballot:

- I. City of Longmont unaffiliated voters may affiliate by mail or by the online voter registration system and receive a party ballot through June 16, 2014.
- II. After Monday, June 16th, the unaffiliated voter must come in to a Voter Service and Polling Center (VSPC) in order to affiliate and receive a ballot that has their new party's contests on it, but not the City of Longmont issue.
- III. There are some portions of precincts (called splits) in the Longmont precincts which are not in the City of Longmont. This has resulted in a few precincts which have 2 sets of ballot styles for the precinct; one set including the City of Longmont issue and one set which has only the party contests. In order to provide the voter an opportunity to vote for their new party's contests but not vote again on the Longmont issue and to ensure voter anonymity, we have selected ballot styles for the voter to receive in this circumstance. They will receive a "party contests only" ballot for where they reside, as follows:
 - a. Voters in Colorado House District 11 will receive the proper ballot for their party using precinct 642's party contest only ballots (ballot styles 642-DS26DC, 642-DS27RC, or 642-DS28AC).
 - b. Voters in Colorado House District 12 will receive the proper ballot for their party using precinct 603's party contest only ballots (ballot styles 603-DS20DC, 603-DS21RC, or 603-DS22AC).
- IV. Voter affiliations with registration from online or mail: The ballot will be logged in a spreadsheet and printed manually from Ballot on Demand in the Elections office and provided to the voter as a mail ballot.
- V. Voter affiliation at a VSPC: The ballot will be logged in a spreadsheet and printed manually from Ballot on Demand in the VSPC, and the voter will be handed a ballot to vote in person and deposit in the ballot box.
- VI. When tallied, the voter's unaffiliated City of Longmont ballot will be added in correctly with their precinct's ballot counts. Their second party-only ballot will be added in with precinct 642 or 603's ballot counts.
- VII. Reconciliation of SCORE to tallied ballots will include the incorporation of the office and VSPC logs showing the issuance of these special circumstance ballots. Any difference in voter count in precincts 642 and 603 and the tallied ballots cast will equal the number of voters on the

manual tracking spreadsheet, provided these voters return both ballots. In addition to the tracking sheet, we will have registration forms, voter sign in sheets or mail ballot envelopes as additional verification points.

Ballots Mailed

As of June 13th, the following numbers of ballots have been sent:

- American Constitution – 210
- Democratic – 79,087
- Republican – 36,225
- City of Longmont unaffiliated and minor parties – 18,677

2014 Primary Election Canvass and Audit Schedule

The schedule for Canvass Board meetings is currently anticipated to be as follows:

- Friday, June 27th – Canvass Kick-Off and Audit selection
- Tuesday, July 1st – Draft Reconciliation Report overview
- Thursday, July 3rd – Election data and reports available electronically
- Monday, July 7th – Final Canvass Report review and sign-off

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
		6/24 Election Day	6/25 Provisionals	6/26 Provisionals	6/27 Provisionals 2PM Canvass Kick-off	6/28 Audit
6/29	6/30 Audit	7/1 Audit 2PM Canvass Draft Report Review	7/2 Provisionals 8-day Ballot processing Audit	7/3 Audit if needed 3PM Election Data Provided	7/4 4th of July	7/5
7/6	7/7 2PM Canvass Review & Sign- off	7/8	7/9	7/10	7/11	7/12
7/13	7/14	7/15	7/16	7/17	7/18	7/19