

For Your Information

Presidential, Congressional, State, Legislative, and Judicial Candidates

A state Voters' Pamphlet, published by the Secretary of State, will include Presidential, congressional, all statewide office candidates as well as legislative, and judicial candidates. The state pamphlet will be delivered by the post office to all residents of Kitsap County and is also available online at www.vote.wa.gov.

Washington has a New Election System

In each race for partisan office, the two candidates who receive the most votes in the August Primary advance to the November General Election.

Each candidate for partisan office may state a political party that he or she prefers. A candidate's preference does not imply that the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party, or that the party approves of or associates with that candidate.

The election for President and Vice-President is different. Candidates for President and Vice-President are the official nominees of their political party.

Questions or Need a Replacement Ballot?

If you have questions or your ballot is damaged or lost, a replacement ballot may be obtained by calling the Kitsap County Elections Division 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at:

(360) 337.7128

(206) 842.2061 from Bainbridge Island

(253) 851.4147 from Olalla

Kitsap Votes By Mail

Kitsap County voters elected to conduct all elections by mail as of 2005. Ballots are mailed to military and overseas voters 30 days prior to each election and to all other registered voters 20 days prior to each election. Voters may return voted ballots by mail or use designated ballot deposit sites.

Your Right to Privacy

Every voter has the right to vote his or her ballot in secret. Any person attempting to vote when he or she is not entitled, or who falsely signs the affidavit, shall be guilty of a felony, punishable by imprisonment for not more than five years or a fine of not more than ten thousand dollars, or both such fine, and imprisonment.

Local Voters' Pamphlet Advisory Committee

The purpose of the Local Voters' Pamphlet Advisory Committee is to establish a series of up to three questions for candidates appearing in the Local Voters' Pamphlet to use in preparing responses.

Members of the 2008 Local Voters' Pamphlet Advisory Committee are: Ellen Fisher, Chair of Kitsap County League of Women Voters; Jeff Rhodes, Editor of the Port Orchard Independent; Jeff Brody, Managing Editor of Kitsap Sun; Carl Olson, Chair of Kitsap County Democratic Central Committee; Jack Hamilton, Chair of Kitsap County Republican Central Committee; and Jeanie Schulze, Citizen Representative.

Candidate and Committee Statements

The Local Voters' Pamphlet includes statements submitted by candidates for offices and committees "for" and "against" ballot measures. Statements printed in this pamphlet are the opinions of the authors and have not been checked for spelling, factual, or grammatical accuracy by any official government agency.

Participating Jurisdictions

Participating districts in this General Election Local Voters' Pamphlet are Kitsap County, Public Utility District No. 1, and Bainbridge Island Metropolitan Park & Recreation District.

Disability Access Voting / Ballot Deposit Sites

Federal and state law requires that all jurisdictions provide certified accessible voting devices which enable voters with disabilities to cast a ballot independently, and in private. Secure touch screen voting devices with audio capabilities and a voter verified paper trail are available for use in this General Election at the following voting and ballot deposit locations:

Prior to Election Day – Kitsap County Auditor Elections Division
619 Division Street, Port Orchard, October 15th through November 3rd
Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Election Day – from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Port Orchard – Kitsap County Administrative Building,
619 Division Street, in the Port Blakely Conference Room

Poulsbo – Poulsbo Fire Station, 911 Liberty Road

In addition to the locations listed above, the following locations will also be available for voting or ballot deposit at these specific dates and times:

October 21st Silverdale

10:00 to 11:30 a.m. Clearbrook Inn, 12295 NW Schold Pl.

1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Country Meadows, 12169 Country Meadows Ln. NW

October 22nd Bremerton

9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Claremont East, 2707 Clare Ave.

2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Bay Pointe, 966 Oyster Bay Ct.

October 23rd Port Orchard

9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Stafford Suites, 1761 Pottery Ave.

2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sydney House, 155 Lippert Dr. W

October 24th Bainbridge Island

9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Wyatt House, 186 Wyatt Way NW

2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Madison Ave Retirement Center, 285 Madison Ave. S

October 27th Poulsbo

9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Martha & Mary Health Services, 19160 Front St. NE

1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Liberty Shores, 19360 Viking Ave. NW

October 28th Port Orchard

10:00 a.m. to noon Park Vista, 2944 SE Lund Ave.

2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Washington Veterans Home, 1141 Beach Dr. E

October 29th Bremerton

9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Canterbury Manor, 703 Callahan Dr.

1:15 to 3:15 p.m. The Vintage, 1717 Sheridan Rd.

October 30th Bremerton

9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Cypress Gardens, 3500 9th St.

October 30th Port Orchard

2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Ridgemont Terrace, 2051 Pottery Ave.

October 31st Poulsbo

9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Montclair Park, 1250 NE Lincoln Rd.

October 31st Silverdale

1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Crista Shores, 1600 NW Crista Shores Ln.

Write-ins – Which Votes Can Be Counted

General Election write-in votes can only be counted if:

- The write-in candidate has not already been defeated in the Primary, and
- The number of write-in votes plus the number of under and over votes together could affect the outcome of the election.