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2019 GENERAL & SPECIAL ELECTION INFORMATION

P O BOX 1087 - Griffin GA 30224
825 Memorial Drive - Griffin GA 30223

- 1. Election: GENERAL & SPECIAL ELECTION
2. Date Election called: SET BY LAW
3. Election to be: November 5, 2019
4. Time polls are open: 7a.m. to 7p.m.
5. Closing date for registration for this election: CLOSE OF BUSINESS OCTOBER 7, 2019
6. Candidate(s), Issue(s) to be voted on: LOCAL RACES: CITY OF GRIFFIN MAYOR, CITY OF GRIFFIN COMMISSION SEATS 2 AND 4. COUNTY-WIDE E-SPLOST.
7. Active registered voters involved: 43,413 ACTIVE VOTERS; 46,999 ELIGIBLE
8. Area of County or City involved in this election: COUNTY-WIDE
9. Number of precincts involved in the election: 19; 1 polling locations (includes advance-voting site)
10. Number of election workers for this election: APPROXIMATELY 75
11. Projected voter turnout based on active voters: 24% of VOTERS

Election Day polls are open from 7am - 7pm. Advance Voting site(s) open from 8am -5pm. Sample ballots are available for viewing at the precincts and available on the county's website.

Election Day Voting Locations - To confirm your voter registration status and where to vote, voters may contact:

- Spalding County Board of Elections Office at (770) 467-4245, or
Secretary of State's Website: http://www.sos.ga.gov, then go My Voter Page

12. INFORMATION FOR VOTING BY ABSENTEE BALLOT: Eligible voters have (2) ways to cast ballots prior to Election Day: Absentee by Mail and Advance (Early) Voting.

## **ABSENTEE VOTING BY MAIL**

Eligible voters desiring to vote by mail may do so WITHOUT PROVIDING A REASON OR IDENTIFICATION. However, voters who registered for the first time in Georgia by mail and did not provide identification, will be required to provide at the time of voting, one of the six acceptable forms of PHOTO ID listed on page 3 or a copy of current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or other governmental document that shows the name and address of the voter. **Those voters who do not have the proper form of identification can vote a Provisional Ballot.**

ABSENTEE BALLOTS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR MAIL ON OCTOBER 14, 2019.

Voters may request an Absentee Ballot by mail beginning 180 days prior to any election. However, the last day an Absentee Ballot can be mailed is Friday, November 1, 2019.

### **WHAT TO INCLUDE IN THE BY- MAIL ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST**

Voters may mail or fax a written request for an Absentee Ballot. The written request should include:

- Name and address as registered to vote
- Date of birth
- Election name and date (i.e. Election – November 5, 2019)
- Address where ballot is to be mailed
- Daytime contact or phone number
- Voter's written signature

### **WHERE TO RECEIVE AND SEND THE ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST**

Voters may also contact our office to have an Absentee Ballot Application mailed to them. You can also download an Absentee Ballot application from the web at <http://www.spaldingcounty.com/voting-in-spalding-county.php>.

An application can be scanned and emailed to [mridley@spaldingcounty.com](mailto:mridley@spaldingcounty.com)

The Absentee Ballot request should be sent to:

Spalding County Elections and Registration, Attn: Absentee Ballot, P O Box 1087; Griffin, Georgia 30224.

### **WHEN & WHERE TO RETURN BY- MAIL ABSENTEE BALLOT**

The Absentee Ballot must be returned to the Elections Office no later than 7pm on Election Day at 825 Memorial Drive, Griffin Ga 30223

**Spalding County Elections and Registration  
825 Memorial Drive  
Griffin, Georgia 30223**

## ADVANCE (EARLY) VOTING

Voters may cast a Ballot in-person as indicated below.

**Early/Advance Voting will begin on Monday, October 14, 2019 at 8am.**

Office hours: **Monday – Friday 8am – 5pm**  
**THERE WILL NOT BE A SATURDAY VOTING**

LOCATION FOR ADVANCE VOTING IN-PERSON (ADVANCE VOTING)  
Spalding County Elections and Registration  
825 Memorial Drive  
Griffin, Georgia 30223

## ACCEPTABLE PHOTO IDENTIFICATION FOR VOTING

Acceptable forms of **Photo Identification** are:

1. A Georgia Driver's License (even if expired or suspended);
2. Valid State or Federal Government photo ID;
3. Valid US Passport with photo;
4. Valid Government Employee photo ID (City, County, State or US Government)
5. Valid US Military photo ID
6. Tribal photo ID
7. Weapons permit w/photo

**For voting purposes only, a voter who does not have any of the above photo IDs may obtain a Voter Identification Card at NO COST upon providing that they are a Georgia voter, from the Spalding County Elections and Registrar Office or the Department of Driver Services.**

14. OBSERVATION OF COUNT: On Election Night, the public may observe the tabulation of votes at the Elections Office, 825 Memorial Drive, Griffin GA 30223: (770) 467-4245.

15. PROVISIONAL VOTES: Will be tabulated the Friday after the Election Day.

## VOTER'S CHECKLIST – Things to Do before Election Day

1. Confirm the status of your registration at least 4 weeks prior to the date of the election. Update your registration information, such as address and name. How? Contact the Elections Office at 770-467-4245 or inquire at <https://www.sos.ga.gov> and then go to my voter page.
2. Know how and when to apply for an Absentee Ballot if you are unable to vote in person at your polling place on Election Day or during the Advance Voting period.
3. Know the voter identification requirements before you attempt to vote.
4. Know which polling place you are assigned to and how to get there.
5. Familiarize yourself with the voting device used. Learn how the device is accessible to voters with disabilities.
6. Know what time the polls open and close; (7am until 7pm)
7. Obtain a Sample Ballot from the Elections Office Access a sample ballot at: [www.spaldingcounty.com](http://www.spaldingcounty.com); then click on Department, then click Elections/Voter Registration.