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DeKalb County Voter Registration and Elections Reminds Residents: April 20 is Deadline to Register for May 19 Primary Election

DECATUR, GA — DeKalb County Voter Registration and Elections (DeKalb VRE) is reminding residents that Monday, April 20, 2026, is the final day to register to vote and be eligible to participate in the upcoming May 19, 2026 General Primary and Nonpartisan Election.

Eligible residents who are not yet registered are strongly encouraged to complete their registration before the deadline to ensure their voice is heard in this important election.

“Participating in our elections begins with being registered,” said Keisha L. Smith, Executive Director of DeKalb County Voter Registration and Elections. “We encourage every eligible resident to take a moment to confirm their registration status or register by April 20 so they can fully engage in the democratic process this May.”

Key Election Dates to Know

DeKalb VRE encourages voters to make a plan now by noting the following important dates:

- Voter Registration Deadline: April 20, 2026
- Early (Advance in-Person) Voting Period: April 27 – May 15, 2026 (Visit www.DeKalbVotes.com for locations)
- Election Day: May 19, 2026 (Polls open 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.)

Absentee Voting Information

Registered voters may also choose to vote by absentee ballot.

- Request an Absentee Ballot: Now
- Deadline to Request an Absentee Ballot: May 8, 2026 (11 days before Election Day)

Absentee ballots can be requested online, by mail, email, fax, or in person. Completed ballots must be returned by the close of polls on Election Day to be counted.

Additional information about the election can be found at www.DeKalbVotes.com. To check voter registration status, verify poll locations and more, click [here](#).