

# OKALOOSA COUNTY SAMPLE BALLOT

# PRIMARY ELECTION AUGUST 14, 2012

# Your Vote Counts!

#### Dear Voters,

We have prepared this Sample Ballot booklet to help guide you through the races you will be voting on in the **August 14<sup>th</sup> Primary** and to update you with any changes in laws or procedures that might have happened since the last time you voted.

This year there are six (6) Universal Primary Contests—Public Defender, Sheriff, Tax Collector, Superintendent of Schools, County Commission District 3, and County Commission District 5. *These races are open to all voters regardless of party affiliation*. There is no run-off for these races either, so whoever receives the highest number of votes will win on August 14<sup>th</sup>.

While there is a ballot style for every voter—Republican, Democrat, or minor/no party—not everyone will see all the races presented in this booklet. There are several closed primary races and a municipal referendum in Destin. There are also several precincts that are split by a State legislative race, so please make careful note of those races.

Some important things to remember:

- Have you moved recently? You can save yourself a lot of time if you let us know before election day. You can make your address change by phone, e-mail, or in person at our nearest office. Certain voters who fail to update their address before election day may be required to vote a Provisional Ballot. Remember, it is a felony to vote in a precinct other than which you reside.
- **Did you bring a photo/signature ID?** Whether you vote early or at the polls, you must present a form of valid ID. The most commonly used is a Florida driver's license. If you fail to bring ID, you will be asked to vote a Provisional Ballot. Your Voter Information card cannot be used for ID.
- Do you need assistance voting? You can bring a friend or relative, but our Patriot Poll Workers
  are well trained and qualified to assist you, too. All polling places also have electronic voting
  machines that allow most voters with disabilities to vote independently and in secret. Just ask!

If you still have questions after looking this over, please visit our website at *www.govote-okaloosa.com* or feel free to e-mail me at *plux@co.okaloosa.fl.us* any time. It is my honor and privilege to serve you.

Sincerely,

Paul Lux Supervisor of Elections

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www.GoVote-Okaloosa.com



## Saturday, August 4th - Saturday, August 11th



*Early Voting Hours:* 10am - 6pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 7am - 3pm Wednesday & Saturday(s) 11am - 5pm Sunday

#### **Early Voting Locations:**

Niceville City Hall - 208 N. Partin Drive, Niceville, FL 32578 Shalimar Annex - 1250 N. Eglin Parkway, Shalimar, FL 32579 Robert L. F. Sikes Library - 1445 Commerce Drive, Crestview, FL 32539 Election Headquarters - 302 Wilson St. N., Ste 102, Crestview, FL 32536 (Early voting is NO longer offered at the UF REEF)



Move your polling place to your living room. Request your ballot by contacting the Supervisor of Elections office via telephone, email, mail, in person or by visiting our website. Order your absentee ballot today! Absentee ballots must be returned to the Supervisor of Elections office by 7pm on Election Day in order to be counted.



## Polls are open 7am - 7pm on Election Day! August 14, 2012 Primary Election

Be sure to bring a current and valid ID that includes your picture and signature for precinct and early voting! If the picture ID does not contain your signature, an additional ID that includes your signature shall be required. Approved forms of ID are:

- Florida Driver's License
- Florida ID Card issued by the Department of Highway Safety & Motor Vehicles
- Military ID
- Current U.S. Passport
- Debit/Credit Cards
- Student ID
- Retirement Center ID
- Neighborhood Association ID
- Public Assistance ID

# FLORIDA IS A CLOSED PRIMARY STATE

Florida is a closed primary state. Only the two major parties (Republican and Democratic) have primaries, which are nominating elections, and you have to be registered as a member of the party in whose primary you wish to vote.

Pursuant to a recent change in election law, registered minor parties are now eligible to have primaries also. However, all registered voters, regardless of party, vote in a primary on the nonpartisan races, such as School Board members, Judges, and referenda. The only exception to the closed primary is for a Universal Primary Contest.

# **UNIVERSAL PRIMARY**

You always get to vote on who holds office. By State Constitutional amendment in 1998, Florida created the Universal Primary Contest. If only people from one political party sign up to run for any particular office, then every voter gets a chance to vote in that race to decide who the winner will be - regardless of the voter's political party.

# **PROVISIONAL BALLOTS**

In order to ensure that no eligible voter is turned away, the law provides a method of voting for a person whose eligibility may be questioned at the polls. If no final determination can be made at the time of voting, or if the voter disagrees with a determination of eligibility, he or she may vote a provisional ballot. This ballot is secured in an envelope and the canvassing board will determine whether it is to be counted after research is completed by the elections office.

In addition, the voter has until 5 p.m. on the second day after the election to provide any further evidence he or she may have to prove his or her eligibility. All provisional voters are given written notice of free access to information on the disposition of his or her own provisional ballot.

Please note: A voter who fails to bring photo and signature ID when voting is required by law to vote a provisional ballot. However, no further proof of eligibility is required by the voter. The voter's signature will be compared to the signature on file and counted if it matches. Voting by affirmation for lack of ID has been repealed.

# **SIGNATURE UPDATE**

Has your signature changed

chn Hancock to this?

If so, please update your signature at either of our offices.

# HOW TO MARK A PAPER BALLOT (OPTICAL SCAN)



# **OTHER IMPORTANT VOTING INFORMATION**

#### **IDENTIFICATION**

Voter Information cards are not a valid form of identification when voting. Photo and signature ID is required for voting. Approved forms of ID are:

- Florida Driver's License
- Florida ID Card issued by the Department of Highway Safety & Motor Vehicles
- Military ID
- Current U.S. Passport

- Debit/Credit Cards
- Student ID
- Retirement Center ID
- Neighborhood Association ID
- Public Assistance ID

### **ADDRESS CHANGE**

If you have moved recently and have a new address other than the one in the poll register, you will be asked to see the Clerk to determine if you are in the correct precinct. It is a third-degree felony to vote in a precinct other than which you live.

If you are asked to go to another precinct, you will be given a special form to take with you so the Clerk at the new precinct won't have to call the office. If you'd like to verify your address with our office before Election Day, just call, email us or use our online voter registration status lookup tool.

### **NEED ASSISTANCE AT THE POLLS?**

Need assistance to vote? You can bring a friend or family member, but poll workers are all trained and qualified to assist as well.

All polling places are accessible to voters with special needs and touch screen voting machines are available for voters with disabilities to vote secretly and independently as well.

# **REPUBLICAN Ballot for Precincts 1-52** This composite ballot is for Republican voters county-wide.

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UNITED STATES SENATOR (Vote for One)		SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS Universal Primary Contest		SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER DISTRICT 4	
George LeMieux	REP	(Vote for One)		(Vote for One)	
Deon Long	REP	Mary Beth Jackson	REP	Rob English	
Connie Mack	REP	Alexis C. Tibbetts	REP	Cathy Thigpen	
Mike McCalister	REP	COUNTY COMMISSION	ER	J. B. Whitten	
Marielena Stuart	REP	DISTRICT 3 Universal Primary Contes	<u>۲</u>	PARTY OFFICES	
Dave Weldon PUBLIC DEFENDER	REP	(Vote for One)	l	STATE COMMITTEEMAN (Vote for One)	
<b>1st JUDICIAL CIRCUIT</b>		Clint Aden	REP	Steve Czonstka     RE	
Universal Primary Contest (Vote for One)		Nathan Boyles	REP	Christopher Ignas RE	
(vote for one)		Dennis A. Reeves	REP	STATE COMMITTEEWOMAN	
Bruce A. Miller	REP	Bill Smith	REP	(Vote for One)	
James Owens State House District 3	REP	COUNTY COMMISSIONE DISTRICT 5 Universal Primary Contes		Sandra L Atkinson     RE       Caroline S. FitzGerald     RE	
<b>race will appear here.</b> Only Republican voters in		(Vote for One)	L	Precinct Committeeman race will appear here.	
State House District 3 will have this primary race.		Felix Beukenkamp	REP	Only Republican voters in Precinct 40 will have	
		Joe Fagundes	REP	this primary race.	
SHERIFF		C Larry Hines	REP	. ,	
Universal Primary Contest (Vote for One)		C Kelly Windes	REP	<b>City of Destin Referendum</b>	
<ul> <li>Larry Ashley</li> </ul>	REP	CIRCUIT JUDGE 1st JUDICIAL CIRCUIT		will appear here. Only those voters in Precincts 20, 35, 44 and 50	
A. Sheridan Lowrey II	REP	GROUP 15 (Vote for One)		will have this referendum.	
Steven Menchel	REP	(	-		
— Tony R. Taylor	REP	Terry Ketchel			
TAX COLLECTOR Universal Primary Contest (Vote for One)		Thomas Murphy			
Ben Anderson	REP				
Bill Roberts	REP			<b>END OF BALLOT</b>	

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State House District 3 Precincts 1, 2, part of 3, part of 4, all of 5, 6, part of 7, part of 8, part of 13 and all of 51.

#### STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 3 (Vote for One)

ote for One)

REP

REP

Doug Broxson

Jayer Williamson

**Precinct Committeeman** Only Republican voters in Precinct 40 will have this primary race.

#### PRECINCT COMMITTEEMAN PRECINCT 40 (Vote for No More Than Three)

Contract Ramsey L. Chaplin	REP
— John Jerry Robertson	REP
David E Scholl	REP
Richard Solt	REP

**City of Destin Referendum** will appear ONLY in Precincts 20, 35, 44 and 50. **CITY OF DESTIN** 

#### A vote to approve a portion of Scenic Highway 98 right-of-way vacation

As required by Ordinance 274, do you approve Ordinance 11-19-CN adopted by Destin City Council, granting a vacation of a portion of the south side of Scenic Highway 98 right-of-way, unneeded for valid City purpose, adjacent to two residential properties, east of Destiny by the Sea Subdivision containing approximately 0.074 acres which real property will become privately owned and return to the ad valorem tax rolls?

YESNO

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#### **END OF BALLOT**

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## DEMOCRATIC Ballot for Precincts 1-52 This composite ballot is for Democrat voters county-wide.

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PUBLIC DEFENDER 1st JUDICIAL CIRCUIT Universal Primary Contes (Vote for One)		<ul> <li>Clint Aden</li> <li>Nathan Boyles</li> <li>Dennis A. Reeves</li> <li>Bill Smith</li> </ul>	REP REP REP REP	A vote to approve a portion of Scenic Highway 98 right-of-way vacation As required by Ordinance 274, do you approve Ordinance 11-19-CN adopted by Destin City
<ul> <li>Bruce A. Miller</li> <li>James Owens</li> <li>SHERIFF</li> <li>Universal Primary Contest</li> </ul>	REP REP	COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 5 Universal Primary Contest (Vote for One)		Council, granting a vacation of a portion of the south side of Scenic Highway 98 right-of-way, unneeded for valid City purpose, adjacent to two residential properties, east of Destiny by the Sea Subdivision containing approximately 0.074 acres which real property will become
(Vote for One) Larry Ashley A. Sheridan Lowrey II	REP REP	<ul> <li>Felix Beukenkamp</li> <li>Joe Fagundes</li> <li>Larry Hines</li> </ul>	REP REP REP	privately owned and return to the ad valorem tax rolls?
<ul> <li>Steven Menchel</li> <li>Tony R. Taylor</li> </ul>	REP REP	CIRCUIT JUDGE 1st JUDICIAL CIRCUIT	REP	
TAX COLLECTOR Universal Primary Contes (Vote for One)	st	Ist JUDICIAL CIRCUIT GROUP 15 (Vote for One)		
<ul> <li>Ben Anderson</li> <li>Bill Roberts</li> </ul>	REP REP	<ul> <li>Terry Ketchel</li> <li>Thomas Murphy</li> </ul>		
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCH Universal Primary Contes (Vote for One)		SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER DISTRICT 4 (Vote for One)		
<ul> <li>Mary Beth Jackson</li> <li>Alexis C. Tibbetts</li> </ul>	REP REP	<ul> <li>Rob English</li> <li>Cathy Thigpen</li> <li>J. B. Whitten</li> </ul>		

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	James Owens	REP	Joe Fagundes	REP	A vote to approve a portion of Scenic Highway 98 right-of-way vacation	
_	SHERIFF		C Larry Hines	REP		
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	(vote for One)		CIRCUIT JUDGE		Council, granting a vacation of a portion of the south side of Scenic Highway 98 right-of-way,	
	Larry Ashley	REP	1st JUDICIAL CIRCUIT GROUP 15		unneeded for valid City purpose, adjacent to two residential properties, east of Destiny by	
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	Steven Menchel	REP	Tama Katabal		0.074 acres which real property will become privately owned and return to the ad valorem	
	Tony R. Taylor REP		<ul> <li>Terry Ketchel</li> <li>Thomas Murphy</li> </ul>		tax rolls?	
	TAX COLLECTOR Universal Primary Contest (Vote for One)		SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER DISTRICT 4		- YES NO	
	Ben Anderson	REP	(Vote for One)			
	Bill Roberts	REP	C Rob English			
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	Alexis C. Tibbetts	REP				
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	Nathan Boyles	REP				
	Dennis A. Reeves	REP				
	Bill Smith	REP				
					END OF BALLOT	

# WHAT TO EXPECT AT THE POLLS



#### THE BAILIFF

I'm a special deputy who will greet you at the door and provide assistance when needed. I'll remind you to have your ID ready!



THE GREETER I'm especially helpful to first-time voters, giving ballot demonstrations and answering most questions. I even have special ballots for the kids too!



BOOK INSPECTOR I have the poll register with your name in it. I'll ask for your ID and check your signature before giving you a ballot ticket. I should never tell you that you can't vote!



BALLOT INSPECTOR I take your ballot ticket and give you your ballot. I will say out loud which party ballot you're getting. Then I'll point your way to the voting booth.



THE TOUCH SCREEN The law now requires each precinct to have a touch screen voting machine for voters with special needs. Each precinct has one poll worker just to run it.



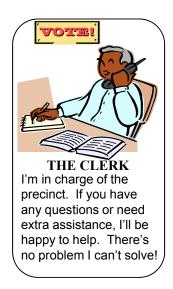
VOTE! Vote your secret ballot in the booth provided. *If you make a mistake please ask for a new ballot!* All done? Put your ballot in the folder and head for the Accu-Vote machine.



BALLOT BOX INSPECTOR I stand near the ballot box to assist voters should a problem arise. If one does, I can always call the clerk!

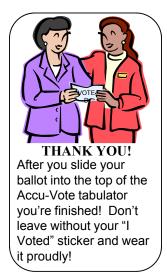


NEED ASSISTANCE? If you have any special needs that will make your voting experience easier and faster, just ask! There are plenty of friendly poll workers waiting to help!





Equally popular and unpopular, the law no longer allows any form of solicitation within 100 feet of your polling place.



# **OKALOOSA COUNTY POLLING PLACES**

PCT #	PCT NAME	POLLING PLACE				
1	Baker	Baker Area Recreation Assn. Bldg., 5503 Hwy 4, Baker	* * *			
2	Blackman	Blackman Community Center, 7590 Hwy 189 N, Blackman	See Precinct Notes			
3	Milligan	Milligan Assembly of God Church, 5408 Hwy 4, Milligan	below regarding changes to			
4	Holt	First Baptist Church of Holt, 532 Hwy 90 W, Holt	bolded and italicized precincts.			
5	Laurel Hill	First Baptist Church of Laurel Hill, 3972 2nd Ave, Laurel Hill	bolded and francized precificts.			
6	Garden City	Auburn Pentecostal Church, 6144 Hwy 85 N, Crestview				
7	Dorcas	Dorcas Baptist Church, Education Bldg, 5880 McCallum Rd, Dorcas				
8	Honey Creek	Emmanuel Baptist Church, 3252 James Lee Blvd E, Crestview				
9	Yellow River	Charles Walthall Bldg, 5479 Old Bethel Rd, Crestview				
10	West Wright	The Covenant Community Church, 1007 Gospel Rd, Ft Walton Beach	1			
11	East CV	Lifepoint Church, 400 Ferdon Blvd S, Crestview				
12	West CV	Carver Hill School, 461 School Ave W, Crestview				
13	North CV	Woodlawn Baptist Church, 824 Ferdon Blvd N, Crestview				
14	West NV	St. Jude's Episcopal Church, 200 Partin Dr N, Niceville				
15	Valparaiso	First Baptist Church of Valparaiso, 444 Valparaiso Pkwy,	Valparaiso			
16	Shalimar	Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 1 Meigs Dr, Shalimar				
17	Central Wright	Wright Baptist Church, 795 Beal Pkwy N, Ft Walton Beach				
18	Ocean City	Westminster Presbyterian Church, 2 Woodham Ave, Ft Walton Beach	h			
19	East FWB	Beulah First Baptist Church, 109 McGriff St, Ft Walton Beach				
20	West Destin	Destin Community Center, 101 Stahlman Ave, Destin				
21	Mary Esther	First Baptist Church, 28 North St, Mary Esther				
22	S. Central FWB	St. Mary Catholic Church Parish Life Center, 110 St. Mary	Ave SW, Ft Walton Beach			
23	Eglin	West Gate Chapel, Eglin Blvd - Bldg 2574, Eglin AFB				
24	West FWB	Knights of Columbus, 205 Carol Ave NW, Ft Walton Beach				
25	N Central NV	Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church, 1200 Valparaiso Blvd, Niceville				
26	Seminole	Christ Our Redeemer Catholic Church, 1028 White Point Rd, Niceville				
27	Cinco Bayou	Cinco Bayou Town Hall, 10 Yacht Club Dr, Ft Walton Beach				
28	Garniers	Cinco Bayou Town Hall, 10 Yacht Club Dr, Ft Walton Beach				
29	Golf Course	Trinity United Methodist Church, 403 Racetrack Rd NW, Ft Walton Beach				
30	Okaloosa Island	Elks Lodge, 1335 Miracle Strip Pkwy, Ft Walton Beach				
31	Longwood	Bob Hope Village Welcome Center, 92 Sunset Ln, Shalimar				
32	Ferry Park	The Church of Christ, 232 Hollywood Blvd SE, Ft Walton B	Beach			
33	Rocky Bayou	First Presbyterian Church, 1800 John Sims Pkwy, Niceville				
34	Florosa	St. Peter Catholic Church, 100 Francis St, Mary Esther				
35	North Destin	Destin United Methodist Church, 200 Beach Dr, Destin				
36	South NV	Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church, 1200 Valparaiso Blvd, Niceville	2			
37	Lake Lorraine	Shalimar Baptist Church, 17 4th Ave, Shalimar				
38	North Gate	Salvation Army Chapel, 425 Mary Esther Cut-Off, Ft Walton Beach				
39	E Wright	Sons of Italy Bldg, 808 South Dr, Ft Walton Beach				
40	South Bluewater	Christ Our Redeemer Catholic Church, 1028 White Point Rd, Nicevil				
41	N Central FWB	St. Mary Catholic Church Parish Life Center, 110 St. Mary	Ave SW, Ft Walton Beach			
42	New Heights	Abundant Life Church, 233 Hill Ave N, Ft Walton Beach				
43	S Central NV	Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church, 1200 Valparaiso Blv	d, Niceville			
44	Central Destin	Destin United Methodist Church, 200 Beach Dr, Destin				
45	South CV	Foxwood Country Club, 4927 Antioch Rd, Crestview				
46	North Bluewater	Bluewater Community Church, 4580 Range Rd, Niceville				
47	Wynnehaven Bch	St. Peter Catholic Church, 100 Francis St, Mary Esther				
48	Westwood	Westwood Retirement Resort, 1001 Mar Walt Dr NW, Ft Walton Beach				
		Destin City Hall Annex, 4100 Indian Bayou Trl, Destin				
49	East Destin					
49 <b>50</b>	South Destin	Destin City Hall Annex, 4100 Indian Bayou Trl, Destin				
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#### POLLS OPEN FROM 7 AM TO 7 PM

#### **Precinct Notes:**

- 15 Replaces Mitchell Center Community Room.
- 22 Replaces Fred Hedrick Recreation Center (co-located with Pct 41).
- 24 Replaces FWB Shrine Club.
- 25 Co-located with Pcts 36 and 43 at Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church.
- 26 Co-located with Pct 40 at Christ Our Redeemer Catholic Church.
- 32 Returned to previous location.

- 41 Replaces Fred Hedrick Recreation Center (co-located with Pct 22).
- 43 Co-located with Pcts 25 and 36 at Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church.
- 44 Co-located with Pct 35 at Destin United Methodist Church.
- 45 Replaces St. Mark United Methodist Church.
- 46 Same location, new name. Formerly Bluewater Baptist Church.
- 47 Co-located with Pct 34 at St. Peter's Catholic Church.
- 50 Co-located with Pct 49 at Destin City Hall Annex.

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Wednesday & Saturday(s) 7am - 3pm

Sunday 11am - 5pm