Absentee Voting Begins for April 3 School and Special Election

KANSAS CITY, MO. (February 20, 2018) – Absentee voting for the April 3 School and Special Election begins today for Kansas City voters.

Voters who qualify may cast an absentee ballot in-person until 5 p.m. Monday, April 2 or by mail. Ballots cast by mail must be received by the Election Board no later than 7 p.m., Tuesday, April 3.

Voting is available at the Kansas City Election Board Absentee Office, located in Union Station, Lower level, Suite 2800 (30 W. Pershing Road) 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. through Monday, April 2. The office will also be open for absentee voting on Saturday, March 31, 8 a.m. to noon. Parking validations will be provided for absentee voters parking in the West Garage, just west of Union Station.

For mail-in voting, an application form must be submitted to KCEB by mail or by fax. The form is available at www.kceb.org, or by calling KCEB’s absentee voting office at 816-842-4820 ext. 225.

The last day to submit an absentee ballot application for the April 3 election is Wednesday, March 28, 2017.

Missouri election laws allow registered voters to vote absentee if they meet one of the following six requirements:

1) Will be absent from their voting jurisdiction on Election Day
2) Are incapacitated or confined due to illness or physical disability, or caring for an incapacitated person
3) Are restricted by religious belief or practice
4) Are employed by an election authority
5) Are incarcerated, but have retained all voting qualifications
6) Certified participation in the address confidentiality (SAFE at Home) program established under sections 589.660 to 589.681 because of safety concerns

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Remember that Missouri’s new photo ID law (HB 1631), effective on June 1, 2017, outlines identification options for registered Missouri voters to use on Election Day at their polling location. Most Missourians have a Missouri Driver License or Nondriver License, which is an acceptable form of photo ID for voting.

- Option 1: Provide a Missouri Driver License for Nondriver License, U.S. Passport, or unexpired Military ID.
- Option 2: Provide a secondary form of identification, such as a pay check or bank statement and sign a statement confirming identity.
- Option 3: If the voter has no form of identification, but is a registered voter, they may cast a provisional ballot.

Anyone needing assistance obtaining a photo ID to vote, may contact ShowIt2Vote at (866) 868-3245.

Voters will be deciding on:

- City of Kansas City, Question 1: reauthorization of a 1% sales tax for capital improvements
- Metropolitan Community College: Board of Trustees Member, Subdistrict 2
- Metropolitan Community College: Board of Trustees Member, Subdistrict 5
- Lee’s Summit School District No. 7: Director
- Hickman Mills School District No. 1: Directors
- Center School district No. 58: Director

The polls will be open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Election Day, Tuesday, April 3.

New residents, or those not registered, must register by Wednesday, March 7, 2018 in order to be eligible to vote in the April 3 election. Voters who have moved since they last voted should submit a change of address form by mail (30 W. Pershing Road, Suite 2800, Kansas City, MO 64108), fax (816-221-3348) or in person (KCEB Office, Suite 2800) to KCEB to be assured of receiving a new voter ID card and their new polling location.

Kansas City has 216,853 registered voters within Jackson County.

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For additional information or assistance, please contact kceb@kceb.org or call (816) 842-4820.

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