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AUGUST 3 PRIMARY: ABSENTEE VOTING INFORMATION

(Kansas City, MO) –In-person absentee voting for the August 3 Primary Election is currently available to registered Kansas City voters through **Monday, August 2 at 5 p.m.** In-person voting hours are **Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.** and **8 a.m. - 12 p.m., Saturday, July 31 at the Kansas City Election Board (KCEB), 1828 Walnut.**

Citizens wishing to vote absentee may also choose to do so by mail. Both options are detailed below:

MAIL Request an application to receive an absentee ballot by mail via phone, fax, or e-mail. Fill out the application and return it to KCEB **by mail or in person.** A ballot will be mailed to the voter within three days of receipt of the application. The deadline for KCEB to receive absentee ballot applications **by mail** is **Wednesday, July 28.** All ballots must be received by KCEB no later than 7 p.m., Tuesday, August 3.

For KCEB to ensure prompt mailing of an absentee ballot, voters are reminded to designate which political party ballot he/she wishes to receive.

IN-PERSON Voters wishing to cast an absentee ballot in-person may come to KCEB at 1828 Walnut, **Monday thru Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., until Monday, August 2.** In-person absentee votes may be cast by either a paper ballot or touch screen machine. The Election Board office is the sole absentee voting location for the August primary.

Citizens qualify to vote absentee based on five criteria provided by Missouri state election law: 1) absence from one's voting jurisdiction on election day; 2) incapacity or confinement due to illness or physical disability or, the caretaker of this person; 3) religious beliefs/practices; 4) working as an election board employee; 5) incarceration, but with voting rights retained.

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