



# GENERAL ELECTION

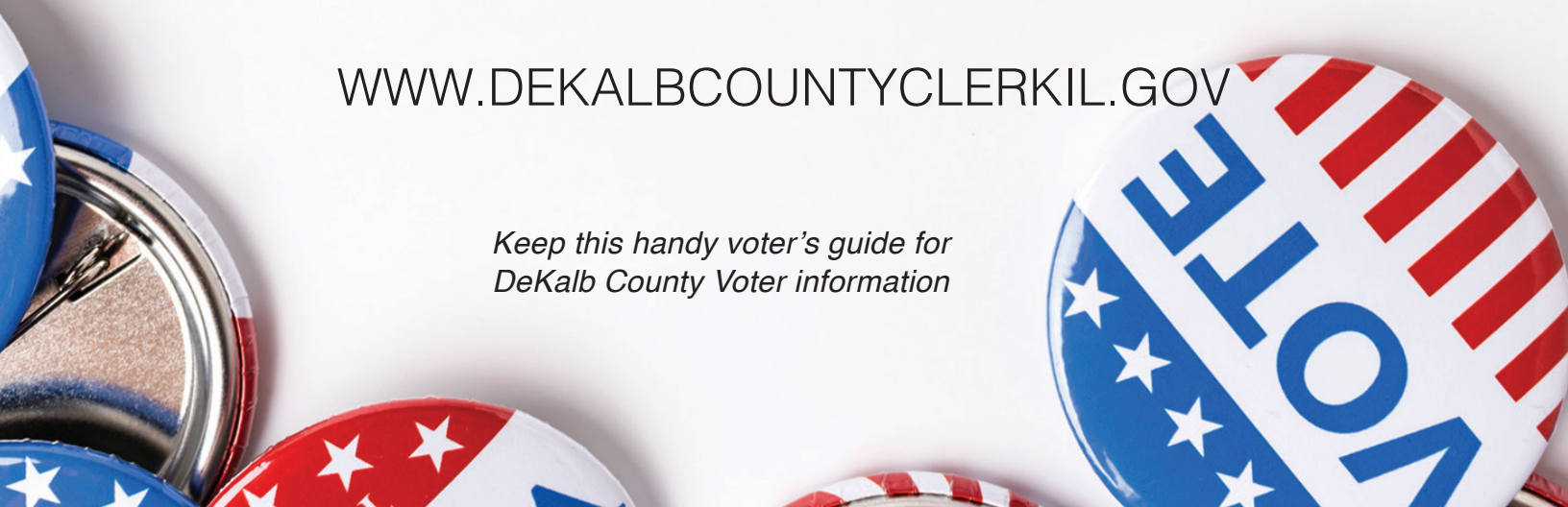
## VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE

**Tuesday, November 5, 2024**  
**DEKALB COUNTY**

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## NOTICE OF ELECTION / PUBLIC QUESTION(S)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, at the usual Polling Places in the various precincts in the County of DeKalb and State of Illinois, a General Election will be held for the purpose of voting for the following offices and deciding local propositions or referenda.

### TO BE ELECTED:

President and Vice President of the United States  
Representative in Congress (11<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> Congressional Districts)  
State Senator (37<sup>th</sup> Legislative District)  
Representative in the General Assembly (70<sup>th</sup>, 74<sup>th</sup>, 75<sup>th</sup>, 76<sup>th</sup>, 89<sup>th</sup> Representative Districts)  
Circuit Clerk  
Coroner  
State's Attorney  
County Board Members – Districts 1 thru 12, One (1) from each District  
County Board Members – Districts 1 & 11, Unexpired 2-year terms  
Judicial Retention – 2nd Appellate Court

### STATEWIDE ADVISORY QUESTIONS:

#### ELECTION WORKER PROTECTION AND CANDIDATE ACCOUNTABILITY REFERENDUM ACT OF PUBLIC ACT 103-586

Should any candidate appearing on the Illinois ballot for federal, State, or local office be subject to civil penalties if the candidate interferes or attempts to interfere with an election worker's official duties?

YES  
NO

#### THE PROPERTY TAX RELIEF AND FAIRNESS REFERENDUM ACT OF PUBLIC ACT 103-586

Should the Illinois Constitution be amended to create an additional 3% tax on income greater than \$1,000,000 for the purpose of dedicating funds raised to property tax relief?

YES  
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#### PROPOSITION TO IMPOSE COUNTY SCHOOL SALES TAX

Shall a retailers' occupation tax and a service occupation tax (commonly referred to as a sales tax) be imposed in The County of DeKalb, Illinois, at a rate of 1% to be used exclusively for school facility purposes, school resource officers, and mental health professionals?

YES  
NO

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Shall the Board of Education of Central Community Unit School District Number 301, Kane and DeKalb Counties, Illinois, build and equip a new high school building, including construction of career technical education labs, fine arts spaces, a college/career center, special education classrooms, collaborative spaces and secured entryways and installation of emergency response systems therein, build and equip an outdoor athletic stadium, a field house and athletic fields on the new high school site, improve sites and roadways and issue its bonds to the amount of \$224,600,000 for the purpose of paying costs thereof?

YES  
NO

#### SYCAMORE COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 427 PROPOSITION TO ELECT SYCAMORE COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 427 BOARD MEMBERS AT LARGE

Shall the members of the Board of Education of Sycamore Community Unit School District No. 427, DeKalb and Kane Counties, Illinois, be elected at large and without restriction by area of residence within the school district?

YES  
NO

#### CITY OF DEKALB

Shall the City Clerk of the City of DeKalb be appointed, rather than elected?

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Shall the elected office of the City Treasurer of the City of Sandwich be abolished and the duties of the City Treasurer be assigned to another City position?

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Shall the clerk in the City of Sycamore be appointed, rather than elected?

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Shall the corporate authorities of the Village of Kirkland be authorized to levy a Non-Home Rule Municipal Retailers' Occupation Tax and a Non-Home Rule Municipal Service Occupation Tax (which together are commonly referred to as "municipal sales tax") at a rate of 1% of eligible sales for expenditures on municipal operations, expenditures on public infrastructure, or property tax relief?

YES  
NO

The polls of said General Election shall remain open continuously from 6:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 5, 2024.

Dated at Sycamore, Illinois, October 1, 2024  
TASHA SIMS  
DEKALB COUNTY CLERK & RECORDER

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC TEST

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Public Test of the automatic tabulating equipment, to be used at the November 5, 2024, General Election, will be conducted in the County Administration Building's Conference Room East, 110 East Sycamore St., Sycamore, Illinois at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 30, 2024.

This Public Test is open to the general public.

Dated at Sycamore, Illinois, October 1, 2024  
TASHA SIMS  
DEKALB COUNTY CLERK & RECORDER

## DEKALB COUNTY POLLING LOCATIONS BY PRECINCT

<b>AF01</b>	Elva Town Hall, 16029 Walker Dr., DeKalb
<b>CL01</b>	Clinton Twp Community Center, 160 W. Lincoln Hwy., Waterman
<b>CO01</b>	Cortland Lions Den, 70 S. Llanos St., Cortland
<b>CO02</b>	Ideal Industries, 1375 Park Ave., Sycamore
<b>CO03</b>	DeKalb County Farm Bureau, 1350 W. Prairie Dr., Sycamore
<b>CO04</b>	Woodgate Clubhouse, 1695 Bayberry Ln., Sycamore
<b>CO05</b>	DeKalb County Farm Bureau, 1350 W. Prairie Dr., Sycamore
<b>CO06</b>	Cortland Lions Den, 70 S. Llanos St., Cortland
<b>CO07</b>	Maple Park Fire Dept, 305 S. County Line Rd., Maple Park
<b>CO08</b>	DeKalb County Farm Bureau, 1350 W. Prairie Dr. Sycamore
<b>CO09</b>	Cortland Lions Den, 70 S. Llanos St., Cortland
<b>DK01</b>	DeKalb Public Library, 309 Oak St., DeKalb
<b>DK02</b>	Barsema Alumni Center, 231 N. Annie Glidden Rd., DeKalb
<b>DK03</b>	Westminster Presbyterian, 830 N. Annie Glidden Rd., DeKalb
<b>DK04</b>	Westminster Presbyterian, 830 N. Annie Glidden Rd., DeKalb
<b>DK05</b>	New Hope Missionary Baptist, 1201 Twombly Rd., DeKalb
<b>DK06</b>	Hopkins Park Terrace Room, 1403 Sycamore Rd., DeKalb
<b>DK07</b>	Bethany Road Bible Church, 2215 Bethany Rd., DeKalb
<b>DK08</b>	Glad Tidings Church, 2325 N. 1st St., DeKalb
<b>DK09</b>	Glad Tidings Church, 2325 N. 1st St., DeKalb
<b>DK10</b>	DeKalb Public Library, 309 Oak St., DeKalb
<b>DK11</b>	Glad Tidings Church, 2325 N. 1st St., DeKalb
<b>DK12</b>	Hopkins Park Terrace Room, 1403 Sycamore Rd., DeKalb
<b>DK13</b>	Taylor Street Plaza, 507 E. Taylor St., DeKalb
<b>DK14</b>	Taylor Street Plaza, 507 E. Taylor St., DeKalb
<b>DK15</b>	Taylor Street Plaza, 507 E. Taylor St., DeKalb
<b>DK16</b>	DeKalb Christian Church, 1107 S. 1st St., DeKalb
<b>DK17</b>	DeKalb Sports & Rec Center, 1765 S. 4th St., DeKalb
<b>DK18</b>	Real Connection Church, 1115 South Malta Rd., DeKalb
<b>DK19</b>	Real Connection Church, 1115 South Malta Rd., DeKalb
<b>DK20</b>	DeKalb Sports & Rec Center, 1765 S. 4th St., DeKalb
<b>DK21</b>	Westminster Presbyterian, 830 N. Annie Glidden Rd., DeKalb
<b>DK22</b>	New Hope Missionary Baptist, 1201 Twombly Rd., DeKalb

<b>DK23</b>	DeKalb Public Library, 309 Oak St., DeKalb
<b>DK24</b>	Real Connection Church, 1115 South Malta Rd., DeKalb
<b>FR01</b>	Kirkland Fire Dept, 3891 State Route 72, Kirkland
<b>FR02</b>	Kirkland Fire Dept, 3891 State Route 72, Kirkland
<b>GE01</b>	Genoa Park Building, 400 E. 2nd St., Genoa
<b>GE02</b>	Resource Bank - Genoa, 310 S. Route 23, Genoa
<b>GE03</b>	Resource Bank - Genoa, 310 S. Route 23, Genoa
<b>KI01</b>	Kingston Friendship Center, 120 S. Main St., Kingston
<b>KI02</b>	Kingston Friendship Center, 120 S. Main St., Kingston
<b>MA01</b>	Malta Club 55/Municipal Building, 115 S. 3rd St., Malta
<b>MF01</b>	Mayfield Twp Building, 26925 Church Rd., Sycamore
<b>MI01</b>	Calvary Lutheran Church, 19 Perry Rd., Lee
<b>PI01</b>	Pierce Twp Building, 14413 Perry Rd., DeKalb
<b>PP01</b>	Paw Paw Town Hall, 2266 Suydam Rd., Earlville
<b>SA01</b>	Sandwich Park Dist, 1001 N. Latham St., Sandwich
<b>SA02</b>	Fox Valley Community Center, 1406 Suydam Rd., Sandwich
<b>SA03</b>	Fox Valley Community Center, 1406 Suydam Rd., Sandwich
<b>SA04</b>	Fox Valley Community Center, 1406 Suydam Rd., Sandwich
<b>SA05</b>	Sandwich Park Dist, 1001 N. Latham St., Sandwich
<b>SG01</b>	South Grove Twp Building, 2482 Old State Rd., Esmond
<b>SH01</b>	Resource Bank - Shabbona, 102 S. Indian Rd., Shabbona
<b>SO01</b>	Somonauk Fire Station, 145 W. Dekalb St., Somonauk
<b>SQ01</b>	Hinckley Community Building, 120 Maple St., Hinckley
<b>SQ02</b>	Hinckley Community Building, 120 Maple St., Hinckley
<b>SY01</b>	Sycamore Park Clubhouse, 900 E. State St., Sycamore
<b>SY02</b>	Federated Church, 612 W. State St., Sycamore
<b>SY03</b>	St John Lutheran Church, 26555 Brickville Rd., Sycamore
<b>SY04</b>	United Methodist Church, 160 Johnson Ave., Sycamore
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<b>VI01</b>	Victor Twp Hall, 8478 Suydam Rd., Leland



**SPECIMEN BALLOT  
GENERAL ELECTION  
NOVEMBER 5, 2024  
DEKALB COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

I hereby certify that this Specimen Ballot is a true and correct copy of ALL offices, candidates and/or propositions to be voted in the General Election to be held in DeKalb County, Illinois, on Tuesday, November 5, 2024.



Tasha Sims  
County Clerk & Recorder  
DEKALB COUNTY, ILLINOIS

**STATEWIDE ADVISORY QUESTIONS**

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- YES
- NO

"Should the Illinois Constitution be amended to create an additional 3% tax on income greater than \$1,000,000 for the purpose of dedicating funds raised to property tax relief?"

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- YES
- NO

**FEDERAL**

**FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT  
OF THE UNITED STATES  
(Vote for one)**

- Kamala D. Harris  
(Tim Walz  
DEMOCRATIC
- Donald J. Trump  
(JD Vance  
REPUBLICAN
- Robert F. Kennedy Jr.  
(Nicole Shanahan  
INDEPENDENT

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Write-in

**CONGRESSIONAL**

**FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS  
ELEVENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
(Vote for one)**

- Bill Foster  
DEMOCRATIC
- Jerry Evans  
REPUBLICAN
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in

**CONGRESSIONAL**

**FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS  
FOURTEENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
(Vote for one)**

- Lauren Underwood  
DEMOCRATIC
- James T. "Jim" Marter  
REPUBLICAN

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Write-in

**FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS  
SIXTEENTH CONGRESSIONAL  
DISTRICT  
(Vote for one)**

- No Candidate  
DEMOCRATIC
- Darin LaHood  
REPUBLICAN

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Write-in

**LEGISLATIVE**

**FOR STATE SENATOR  
THIRTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT  
(Vote for one)**

- No Candidate  
DEMOCRATIC
- Li Arellano, Jr.  
REPUBLICAN

**REPRESENTATIVE**

**FOR REPRESENTATIVE  
IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
SEVENTIETH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT  
(Vote for one)**

- Randi Olson  
DEMOCRATIC
- Jeff Keicher  
REPUBLICAN

**FOR REPRESENTATIVE  
IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
SEVENTY-FOURTH REPRESENTATIVE  
DISTRICT  
(Vote for one)**

- David Simpson  
DEMOCRATIC
- Bradley J. Fritts  
REPUBLICAN

**FOR REPRESENTATIVE  
IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
SEVENTY-FIFTH REPRESENTATIVE  
DISTRICT  
(Vote for one)**

- Heidi Henry  
DEMOCRATIC
- Jed Davis  
REPUBLICAN

**FOR REPRESENTATIVE  
IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
SEVENTY-SIXTH REPRESENTATIVE  
DISTRICT  
(Vote for one)**

- Amy "Murri" Briel  
DEMOCRATIC
- Liz Bishop  
REPUBLICAN

**CONGRESSIONAL**

**FOR REPRESENTATIVE  
IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
EIGHTY-NINTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT  
(Vote for one)**

No Candidate  
DEMOCRATIC

- Tony M. McCombie  
REPUBLICAN

**COUNTY**

**FOR CIRCUIT CLERK  
(Vote for one)**

- Tammie Shered  
DEMOCRATIC
- Lori Grubbs  
REPUBLICAN

**FOR STATE'S ATTORNEY  
(Vote for one)**

- Charles "Chuck" Rose  
DEMOCRATIC
- Riley N. Oncken  
REPUBLICAN

**FOR CORONER  
(Vote for one)**

- Cat Prescott  
DEMOCRATIC
- Linda Besler  
REPUBLICAN

**COUNTY BOARD**

**FOR COUNTY BOARD MEMBER  
COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT 1  
FULL 4-YEAR TERM  
(Vote for one)**

- Tracy Ash  
DEMOCRATIC
- Tim Hughes  
REPUBLICAN

**FOR COUNTY BOARD MEMBER  
COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT 1  
UNEXPIRED 2-YEAR TERM  
(Vote for one)**

- Fredrick Hall  
DEMOCRATIC
- Rhonda L. Henke  
REPUBLICAN

**FOR COUNTY BOARD MEMBER  
COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT 2  
(Vote for one)**

- Christopher Schroeder  
DEMOCRATIC
- Kathleen "Kathy" Lampkins  
REPUBLICAN

**FOR COUNTY BOARD MEMBER  
COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT 3  
(Vote for one)**

- Amber Quitno  
DEMOCRATIC
- Kim E. Coovert  
REPUBLICAN

**COUNTY BOARD**

**FOR COUNTY BOARD MEMBER  
COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT 4  
(Vote for one)**

- Stewart Ogilvie  
DEMOCRATIC
- Elizabeth K. Lundeen  
REPUBLICAN

**FOR COUNTY BOARD MEMBER  
COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT 5  
(Vote for one)**

- Veronica Garcia-Martinez  
DEMOCRATIC
- Savannah Ilenikhena  
REPUBLICAN

**FOR COUNTY BOARD MEMBER  
COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT 6  
(Vote for one)**

- Meryl Domina  
DEMOCRATIC
- No Candidate  
REPUBLICAN

**FOR COUNTY BOARD MEMBER  
COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT 7  
(Vote for one)**

- Terri Mann-Lamb  
DEMOCRATIC
- No Candidate  
REPUBLICAN

**FOR COUNTY BOARD MEMBER  
COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT 8  
(Vote for one)**

- Christopher Porterfield  
DEMOCRATIC
- No Candidate  
REPUBLICAN

**FOR COUNTY BOARD MEMBER  
COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT 9  
(Vote for one)**

- Ellingsworth Webb  
DEMOCRATIC
- No Candidate  
REPUBLICAN

**FOR COUNTY BOARD MEMBER  
COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT 10  
(Vote for one)**

- Laura L. Hoffman  
DEMOCRATIC
- Susan Smith Lindell  
REPUBLICAN

**FOR COUNTY BOARD MEMBER  
COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT 11  
FULL 4-YEAR TERM  
(Vote for one)**

- Shell (Celeste) DeYoung Dunn  
DEMOCRATIC
- Roy E. Plote  
REPUBLICAN

**COUNTY BOARD**

**FOR COUNTY BOARD MEMBER  
COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT 11  
UNEXPIRED 2-YEAR TERM  
(Vote for one)**

- Anna Wilhelmi  
DEMOCRATIC
- Joseph R Marcinkowski  
REPUBLICAN

**FOR COUNTY BOARD MEMBER  
COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT 12  
(Vote for one)**

- Traci Griffin-Lappe  
DEMOCRATIC
- Jerry Osland  
REPUBLICAN

**APPELLATE COURT JUDGE**

SHALL Susan Fayette Hutchinson be retained in office as JUDGE OF THE APPELLATE COURT SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT?

- YES
- NO

**PUBLIC QUESTION(S)**

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Shall the members of the Board of Education of Sycamore Community Unit School District No. 427, DeKalb and Kane Counties, Illinois, be elected at large and without restriction by area of residence within the school district?

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Dated at Sycamore, Illinois, October 1, 2024

**TASHA SIMS**  
County Clerk & Recorder  
DeKalb County, Illinois



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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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**What time is voting on Election Day?** The Polls are open from 6 a.m. until 7 p.m.

**Can I still apply to Vote by Mail?** Any registered DeKalb County Voter may obtain an application on our website at [www.dekalbcountyclerkil.gov](http://www.dekalbcountyclerkil.gov). The last day to apply to Vote by Mail is Thursday, Oct. 31, 2024.

**When is Early Voting?** Begins on Sept. 26th, 2024, and ends on Nov. 4th, 2024. From Oct. 21, 2024, through November 1, 2024, four other Early Voting Sites will be available; Holmes Student Center-NIU and DeKalb Township Building, Kingston Friendship Center, and the Sandwich Library. See the full Schedule at [www.dekalbcountyclerkil.gov](http://www.dekalbcountyclerkil.gov).

**Does DeKalb County have any Vote Centers?** DeKalb County has 1 Election Day Registration/Vote Center where all DeKalb County residents may register for the first time, change their address, or change their name and vote. Two (2) forms of identification are required, and at least one (1) containing a DeKalb County residential address. The Vote Center is also a Countywide Polling Place. It is located in the DeKalb County Administration Bldg. 110 E. Sycamore St. Sycamore, IL 60178. It is open on Election Day from 6:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

**What if I change my mind or make a mistake on my ballot?** Your vote is not officially cast until after you select the Cast ballot button and the machine displays the “Your ballot has been counted” screen. At that point, it is no longer possible for you to make any changes. However, if you change your mind before you cast your ballot, you can change your selections. When using the ballot marking device, a ballot review screen appears before you print your ballot. This screen lists all the choices you have made and lets you know if you missed voting in any race. From this screen, you can return to any contest on the ballot and change your selections, if you wish. If you want to change your ballot selections after you have hand-marked or printed your ballot, you can ask an election judge to “spoil” the ballot and issue you a new ballot.

**What if I don’t want to vote in a particular race?** It is your decision and right to choose not to vote in any race. If you are hand-marking the ballot, simply skip the race(s) you do not wish to vote in. If you are using the ballot marking device, just select the Next button to move forward past any race you want to skip.

**What if I accidentally vote twice in a race?** Will my vote be discarded? If you are hand-marking your ballot and mark more than the permitted number of votes in a race, the scanning machine will return your ballot, and the touchscreen will display a message indicating any races that have too many choices marked. You may request a new ballot to mark, or touch “Cast the ballot as is.” If you choose “Cast the ballot as is,” your vote will not count in that race. If you are using the ballot marking device, the system does not allow you to select more than the permitted number of votes in a race.

**Can I receive help in voting my ballot?** If you have difficulty voting your ballot, you may request assistance from a friend, family member or two election judges. Both the voter and the individual(s) providing assistance must sign a legal affidavit.

**My next-door neighbor’s ballot is different than mine, why?** Your ballot may differ from your neighbors because precinct boundaries and units of government may not necessarily coincide. Ballot styles are specific to those candidates and issues for which you are entitled to vote.

**Why do I not have to show ID when I vote?** When an individual registers to vote, two forms of identification must be presented, one of which showing the current residential address. The applicant must also provide either the last four digits of their social security number or their Illinois Driver’s License/State ID number. The Election Commission verifies through either the Social Security Administration or the Illinois Secretary of State’s office if the number provided is correct.

No matter how you cast your ballot, by mail, early voting, or on election day, the same process is used to verify the voter. This process is completed through signature verification. This is Illinois state law. Two election judges, one from each political party, compare the signature on file with the signature captured at the time of voting. The signature on file was captured at the time of registration. If both judges agree the signatures match, you move forward in the voting process. If the judges do not agree the signatures match, you will be asked to present identification for verification. Only one judge must disagree for a signature challenge to occur.

**What if I request a mail ballot but decide I’d rather vote in person?** If you have already received your mail ballot, take it with you to an early voting site or your polling place on Election Day and surrender it to an election judge. The election judge will call the Election Office to void your mail ballot. You will also be asked to sign an affidavit certifying you have not yet voted in this election. You will then be issued a new ballot. Do not attempt to vote your mail ballot after you have voted in person. Doing so is a Class 3 felony. (And because voting systems will not allow more than one vote per voter, your mail ballot will be rejected.)

**When and how are Early Voting and Vote By Mail ballots tabulated?** Early Voting and Vote By Mail ballots are securely stored and not counted until after the polls close on Election Day. The machines used for both Early Voting and Vote By Mail log activity daily to ensure accurate records. Both types of ballots are then tabulated on the same certified machines used on Election Day, under the supervision of election judges to ensure accuracy. Vote By Mail ballots go through a validation process by a bipartisan team of election judges, who verify the signature on the return envelope against the signature on file. If the signatures match, the ballot is prepared for counting. If there’s a mismatch or a missing signature, the voter is notified and given an opportunity to correct the issue.

As your DeKalb County Election Authority, we are committed to continuous improvements in our electoral process.

With each election, we gain valuable insights and identify areas for enhancement.

Our goal is to prioritize measures that improve the integrity, accessibility, and efficiency of our elections. Please feel free to contact us at 815-895-7147 / [elections@dekalbcounty.org](mailto:elections@dekalbcounty.org) / 110 E. Sycamore St., Sycamore, IL, with any questions or concerns.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE TO SENIOR CITIZENS  
AND DISABLED VOTERS  
OF DEKALB COUNTY**

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DeKalb County Clerk & Recorder, Tasha Sims, encourages elderly and disabled voters to take advantage of the various aids and provisions available to assist them in the upcoming election. Sims emphasized that her office is open to inquiries from anyone who may wish to use these resources during the November 5, 2024 General Election.

All DeKalb County residents who are not yet registered to vote can register online at [ova.elections.il.gov](http://ova.elections.il.gov). In-person registration is also available at the DeKalb County Clerk & Recorder's Office, 110 E. Sycamore St., Sycamore, IL, or through a Deputy Voter Registrar. For more information, contact the office at 815-895-7147 or email [elections@dekalbcounty.org](mailto:elections@dekalbcounty.org). The deadline for voter registration is Tuesday, October 8, 2024.

Vote by Mail begins on Thursday, September 26, 2024, and ends on Thursday, October 31, 2024. Early Voting will also be offered at the DeKalb County Legislative Center, 200 N. Main St., Sycamore, starting Thursday, September 26, 2024, through Monday, November 4, 2024. Voters can also sign up for the Permanent Vote by Mail List. For assistance determining the best voting option for you, please contact the office.

For disabled voters unable to enter polling places, Election Judges can, upon advance request, deliver a ballot within 50 feet of the polling place entrance. To use this service, voters must file an application with the County Clerk's Office before Election Day. All polling locations are fully accessible to individuals with disabilities.

Clerk Sims encourages all eligible voters to participate in this important election and reminds voters that Election Judges are available to assist with any needs on Election Day.

For more information on voting, registration, and assistance services, please contact the DeKalb County Clerk & Recorder's Office at 815-895-7147 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.



**IMPORTANT DATES**

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- 9/26:** Early Voting / Vote By Mail **Begins**
  - 10/8:** **Last Day** for Regular Voter Registration
  - 10/9:** Grace Period Registration & Voting **Begins**
  - 10/20:** **Last Day** for Online Voter Registration
  - 10/31:** **Last Day** to Request a Vote By Mail Ballot
  - 11/4:** **Last Day** of Early Voting (Sycamore)
  - 11/5:** **ELECTION DAY!**



# Voter Information Portal



- **View your Sample Ballot**
- **Check your Voter Registration Status**
- **Request a Vote by Mail Ballot**
- **Check the Status of your Vote By Mail Ballot**



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# YOUR

# VOTE

# Counts

## NOTICE OF EARLY VOTING SCHEDULE

The following are the times and locations of Early & Grace Period Voting Sites in DeKalb County for the General Election being held on November 5, 2024.

\*All Early & Grace Period Voting Sites are available to all DeKalb County Voters\*

<b>Sycamore Campus Legislative Center's Gathertorium 200 N. Main St., Sycamore, IL 60178</b>		
<i>Early &amp; Grace Period Voting</i>		
<b>Serving ALL County Precincts</b>		
September 26 - Oct 25	<i>Monday – Friday</i>	8:30am - 4:30pm
October 9	<i>Wednesday</i>	8:30am - Noon
<b>Grace Period Registration Begins – October 9</b>		
October 16	<i>Wednesday</i>	8:30am - Noon
Oct 26 – Oct 27	<i>Saturday &amp; Sunday</i>	8:30am - 4:30pm
Oct 28 – November 1	<i>Monday – Friday</i>	8:30am - 7:00pm
Nov 2 – Nov 3	<i>Saturday &amp; Sunday</i>	8:30am - 4:30pm
November 4	<i>Monday</i>	8:30am – 7:00pm

<b>Kingston Friendship Center 120 Main St., Kingston, IL 60145</b>		
<i>Early &amp; Grace Period Voting</i>		
<b>Serving ALL County Precincts</b>		
Oct 21 – November 1	<i>Everyday</i>	8:30am - 4:30pm

<b>DeKalb Township Building 2323 S. 4<sup>th</sup> St., DeKalb, IL 60115</b>		
<i>Early &amp; Grace Period Voting</i>		
<b>Serving ALL County Precincts</b>		
Oct 21 – November 1	<i>Everyday</i>	8:30am - 4:30pm

<b>NIU-Holmes Student Center Gallery Lounge 340 Carroll Ave., DeKalb, IL 60115</b>		
<i>Early &amp; Grace Period Voting</i>		
<b>Serving ALL County Precincts</b>		
Oct 21 – November 1	<i>Everyday</i>	8:30am - 4:30pm

<b>Sandwich Library 925 S. Main St., Sandwich, IL 60548</b>		
<i>Early &amp; Grace Period Voting</i>		
<b>Serving ALL County Precincts</b>		
Oct 21 – November 1	<i>Everyday</i>	8:30am - 4:30pm

Dated at Sycamore, Illinois, September 1, 2024  
TASHA SIMS  
DEKALB COUNTY CLERK & RECORDER

