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## **Bradford County Office of Election & Voter Services**

The Bradford County Board of Elections announces the General Election will be held on November 5, 2024. All polling places will be open on November 5, 2024, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Those wishing to register to vote or update their current voter registration, have until October 21, 2024. Individuals may register in person at the Election Bureau located in the Annex Building of the Courthouse or online by visiting www.vote.pa.gov/register.

Any registered voter who would like to vote by mail may apply in person at the Election Bureau located in the Annex Building of the Courthouse, or apply online www.votespa.com/applymailballot. The deadline to apply is October 29, 2024. All mailin and absentee ballots must be received in the office of the County Board of Elections prior to 8:00 p.m. on November 5, 2024.

There is a misconception that Pennsylvania has "Early Voting". "Early Voting" is when a ballot is cast and counted prior to Election Day. Pennsylvania does not have "Early Voting" as our mail-in and absentee ballots are counted on Election Day. We have to wait until we have a certified candidate listing from The Department of State prior to creating the ballot and testing it.

For all voters who have already applied for a mail-in and absentee ballot, we hope to mail the ballots out by the beginning of October. Please keep in mind that legal challenges may keep that from happening.

The voter may either return their voted ballot in person to the Election Bureau, or mail the ballot via the U.S. Postal Service. Bradford County does not utilize drop boxes.

If a voter has a disability that prevents them from applying in person for their mail ballot or delivering their mail ballot, they may designate an agent to deliver their ballot materials. The voter must designate someone in writing using the Authorize a Designated Agent Form.

For further information please contact 570-265-1717 or email smithkorsr@bradfordcountypa.gov.