



2017 Voter's Guide

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Marion County Supervisor of Elections

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Voter's Bill of Rights ♦ F.S. 101.031

Each registered voter in this state has the right to:

1. Vote and have his or her vote accurately counted.
2. Cast a vote if he or she is in line at the official closing of the polls in that county.
3. Ask for and receive assistance in voting.
4. Receive up to two replacement ballots if he or she makes a mistake prior to the ballot being cast.
5. An explanation if his or her registration or identity is in question.
6. If his or her registration or identity is in question, cast a provisional ballot.
7. Written instructions to use when voting, and, upon request, oral instructions in voting from elections officers.
8. Vote free from coercion or intimidation by elections officers or any other person.
9. Vote on a voting system that is in working condition and that will allow votes to be accurately cast.

Voter's Responsibilities ♦ F.S. 101.031

Each registered voter in this state should:

1. Familiarize himself or herself with the candidates and issues.
2. Maintain with the office of the supervisor of elections a current address.
3. Know the location of his or her polling place and its hours of operation.
4. Bring proper identification to the polling station.
5. Familiarize himself or herself with the operation of the voting equipment in his or her precinct.
6. Treat precinct workers with courtesy.
7. Respect the privacy of other voters.
8. Report any problems or violations of election laws to the supervisor of elections.
9. Ask questions, if needed.
10. Make sure that his or her completed ballot is correct before leaving the polling station.



Marion County Election Center
981 NE 16th Street, Ocala
352-620-3290
VoteMarion.com

Message from Wesley Wilcox, Supervisor of Elections



Welcome to the 2017 Marion County Voter's Guide.

The Town of Reddick and the City of Ocala will hold their biennial elections this year; Reddick in April and Ocala in September. Only the precincts in Reddick and Ocala's city limits will operate for each respective election.

Neither Reddick nor Ocala participates in early voting. The next time we have early voting will be in the fall of 2018 for the county-wide Primary Election.

I encourage you to visit our website, VoteMarion.com, where you can change your address, request a Vote-By-Mail ballot, or find valuable information about your local and state representation.

Should you have anything that you would like to share, please email me directly, WWilcox@VoteMarion.com.

It is a privilege and honor to serve the voters of Marion County.

Respectfully,

Wesley Wilcox, CERA
Marion County Supervisor of Elections

Register to Vote ♦ F.S. 97.041

You must be a U.S. citizen, a resident of the state of Florida, not adjudicated mentally incompetent, or a convicted felon without having your civil rights restored pursuant to law. You may pre-register after your 16th birthday and then vote when you become 18.

HOW DO I
REGISTER?

One registration entitles you to vote in all Elections. If you reside in one of the five municipalities you may vote in municipal elections.

It is the obligation of the voter to keep the Marion County Election Center advised of your current address or registration status. The voter registration application can be used to notify us of a name, address, or party change. Party changes must be made at least 29 days before an election.

How and Where to Register ♦ F.S. 97.052

You may register at the Marion County Election Center, 981 NE 16th Street, Ocala, or at any state agency that offers public assistance or serves people with disabilities: Drivers' License office, Public Library, or Military Recruitment office. You can also register by mail.

Mail-in voter registration applications are available at many businesses and banks. You can also visit VoteMarion.com and download the application.

For more information call 620-3290, Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM.

First Time Voters Who Register by Mail ♦ F.S. 97.0535

Each applicant that registers by mail, who has never previously voted in the state, and who the department has verified has not been issued a current and valid Florida driver's license, Florida identification card, or social security number, shall be required to provide a copy of a current and valid identification, or indicate that he or she is exempt from the requirement prior to voting. This information may be provided at the time of registering, or at any time prior to voting for the first time in the state. If you vote at the polls and cannot show picture and signature ID, you may vote a provisional ballot unless you have already provided ID or qualified for an exemption.

Voter Information Card ♦ F.S. 97.071

You will receive a Voter Information Card from the Election Center that contains your precinct number and district information within ten days of registering.

The mailer provides valuable information, however it is not required to vote on Election Day.

How to Find Your Voting Location

To find out where you should go to vote on Election Day, please visit VoteMarion.com, click the *Where Do I Vote* button at the top, then enter the House Number and Street Name of your address to find your voting location.

Identification at the Polls ♦ F.S. 101.043, 101.048

The clerk or inspector shall require each elector, upon entering the voting location, to present one of the following current and valid signature and picture identifications:

- ☆ Florida Driver's License
- ☆ Florida ID Card
- ☆ Neighborhood Association ID
- ☆ Debit/Credit Card
- ☆ Student ID
- ☆ Veteran Health ID Card
- ☆ Retirement Center ID
- ☆ Military ID
- ☆ Concealed Weapon License
- ☆ Public Assistance ID
- ☆ U.S. Passport
- ☆ Government Employee ID Card

If the elector fails to provide the required identification they shall be allowed to vote a provisional ballot. The canvassing board will then determine the validity of the provisional ballot.

Make Changes to Your Voter Record ♦ F.S. 97.055, 97.1031, 101.045

A change of residence address within Marion County can be made by phone, fax, email or other written and signed notice, including a voter registration application. If you are moving to another Florida county, use a voter registration application.

Florida's statewide voter registration system (FVRS) accommodates registered voters moving from county to county at any time. This makes the registration deadline a non-issue at the polls for new residents of Marion County who are registered elsewhere in the state.

If your name changes by marriage or other legal process, or you want to change your political party preference, use a voter registration application or other written and signed notice; date of birth is required. Party changes cannot be made at the polls and must be made at least 29 days before the Primary Election.

When the registration deadline has passed for an election, updates to a voter's name, address and signature shall be the only changes permitted for purposes of the upcoming election. Any party changes will be made after the books are open for future elections.

Mail your voter record updates to: PO Box 289, Ocala, FL 34478-0289. The Marion County Election Center will mail your Voter Information Card reflecting the new information within ten days.

Update Your Signature ♦ F.S. 101.048, 101.68

It is the responsibility of the voter to update the Election Center with any signature changes. Mail ballots and petitions are verified by the voter's signature in our database. Signature updates can be made on a voter registration application and must be received before canvassing of mail ballots begins, the 15th day before the election. If the signature on the mail ballot certificate does not match the signature on record the ballot will not count.

Request a Vote-By-Mail Ballot ♦ F.S. 101.62, 101.69

A request for a mail ballot to be mailed to a voter must be received by the Marion County Election Center no later than 5:00 PM on the 6th day before the election. The voter must personally vote the ballot and sign the return envelope. Power of Attorney may not sign for the voter.

**I WANT TO
VOTE BY MAIL**

Make sure that the Election Center has your correct mailing address as mail ballots cannot be forwarded.

An eligible Vote-By-Mail voter may designate in writing another person to pick up their ballot five (5) days prior to the day of the election. The designee may only pick up two (2) ballots per election other than his or her own for members of their immediate family. The designee must provide picture identification, written authorization from the voter, and complete an affidavit.

The person making the request must disclose the following:

- Name of elector for whom ballot is requested
- Elector's address
- Elector's date of birth
- Requester's name
- Requester's address
- Requester's driver's license number, if available
- Requester's relationship to elector
- Requester's signature for written requests

**Vote-By-Mail Ballots can only be returned to the
Marion County Election Center at 981 NE 16th Street, Ocala.**

Vote-By-Mail ballots must be returned by 7:00 PM Election Day.

Voted mail ballots cannot be accepted at voting locations.

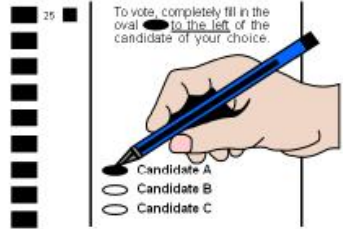


How to Vote a Ballot

Marion County uses optical scan voting equipment at our voting locations. To mark your ballot, completely fill in the oval to the left of your choice using the marker provided.

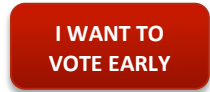
When you have finished, insert the ballot into the tabulator. If the tabulator cannot read your ballot, it will return the ballot to you. If you make a mistake, you may have up to three (3) ballots.

If you need help reading or marking your ballot you may bring someone with you to the voting location. Election workers are also available to assist you. ADA compliant voting equipment is available at all Early Voting locations and at the polls on Election Day.



Early Voting ♦ F.S. 101.657

As a convenience to the voter, a voter may cast their ballot prior to Election Day at a location designated by the supervisor of elections as an Early Voting site. These sites are located throughout Marion County.



Early Voting begins approximately ten days before a county-wide election and ends three days before the election.

Please visit our website VoteMarion.com during the election cycle for a schedule of dates, times, and locations for Early Voting.

Florida's Election Schedule ♦ F.S. 100.031, 100.061

Florida conducts elections in even-numbered years to choose a successor to each elective federal, state, county, and district office whose term will expire before the next General Election. In each year in which a General Election is held a Primary Election for nomination of candidates of political parties is also held.

Florida is a Closed Primary State ♦ F.S. 101.021 ☆

In a closed Primary Election voters are limited to candidates of their own party, nonpartisan candidates such as a judge or school board member, and referenda questions. The only exception is if all candidates for an office have the same party affiliation and the winner will have no opposition in the General Election; all qualified voters, regardless of party affiliation, may vote in the Primary Election for that office (a Universal Primary).

A voter may vote for any candidate in a General Election regardless of party affiliation. ☆ Article VI Section 5, Constitution of Florida

U.S. PRESIDENT ♦ 4 YEAR TERM

President

Donald J. Trump (2020)

WhiteHouse.gov

Vice President

Michael R. Pence (2020)

U.S. SENATE ♦ 6 YEAR TERM

Senators

Bill Nelson (2018)

Marco Rubio (2022)

Senate.gov

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ♦ 2 YEAR TERM

Representatives

Neal Dunn (2018)

District 2

Ted Yoho (2018)

District 3

Daniel Webster (2018)

District 11

House.gov



FLORIDA GOVERNOR AND CABINET ♦ 4 YEAR TERM

Governor

Rick Scott (2018)

FLGov.com

Lieutenant Governor

Carlos Lopez-Cantera (2018)

FLGov.com

Attorney General

Pam Bondi (2018)

MyFloridaLegal.com

Chief Financial Officer

Jeff Atwater (2018)

MyFloridaCFO.com

Commissioner of Agriculture

Adam H. Putnam (2018)

FreshFromFlorida.com

FLORIDA SENATE ♦ 4 YEAR TERM

Senators

FLSenate.gov

Rob Bradley (2020) District 5
Keith Perry (2018) District 8
Dennis Baxley (2018) District 12

FLORIDA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ♦ 2 YEAR TERM

Representatives

MyFloridaHouse.gov

Clovis Watson Jr (2018) District 20
Charlie Stone (2018) District 22
Stan McClain (2018) District 23
Don Hahnfeldt (2018) District 33

FLORIDA JUDICIAL ♦ 6 YEAR TERM, NONPARTISAN

Supreme Court

FloridaSupremeCourt.org

Justice Charles Canady (2022) Justice Jorge Labarga (2022)
Justice C. Alan Lawson (2018) Justice R. Fred Lewis (2018)
Justice Barbara J. Pariente (2018) Justice Ricky Polston (2022)
Justice Peggy A. Quince (2018)

Fifth District Court of Appeal

5DCA.org

Judge Wendy W. Berger (2018) Judge Jay P. Cohen (2022)
Judge James A. Edwards (2022) Judge Kerry I. Evander (2020)
Judge Brian D. Lambert (2022) Judge Richard B. Orfinger (2020)
Judge William D. Palmer (2020) Judge Thomas D. Sawaya (2020)
Judge Vincent G. Torpy, Jr (2022) Judge F. Rand Wallis (2020)

FLORIDA FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT ♦ 4 YEAR TERM

State Attorney

SAO5.org

Bradley E. King (2020) 110 NW 1st Avenue #5000
Ocala
352-671-5800

Public Defender

PDO5.org

Michael Graves (2020) 204 NW 3rd Avenue
Ocala
352-671-5454

Court Administrator

Circuit5.org

110 NW 1st Avenue
Ocala
352-401-6702

#GO VOTE

FLORIDA FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT ♦ 6 YEAR TERM, NONPARTISAN

Circuit Judges

Circuit5.org

Robert W. Hodges (2022)	Group 1
Lawrence J. Semento (2022)	Group 2
Mary P. Hatcher (2020)	Group 3
Patricia V. Thomas (2018)	Group 4
Richard Tombrink, Jr (2020)	Group 5
Mark J. Hill (2020)	Group 6
Michelle T. Morley (2018)	Group 7
Steven G. Rogers (2018)	Group 8
Thomas R. Eineman (2022)	Group 9
Jonathan D. Ohlman (2020)	Group 10
Richard A. Howard (2020)	Group 11
Don F. Briggs (2020)	Group 12
Heidi Davis (2018)	Group 13
G. Richard Singeltary (2020)	Group 14
Donald E. Scaglione (2022)	Group 15
Jennifer Bass (2018)	Group 16
William G. Law, Jr (2018)	Group 17
Lisa D. Herndon (2020)	Group 18
Stephen E. Toner, Jr (2018)	Group 19
David B. Eddy (2018)	Group 20
Ann Melinda Craggs (2022)	Group 21
Curtis J. Neal (2020)	Group 22
S. Sue Robbins (2022)	Group 23
Willard Pope (2022)	Group 24
William H. Hallman, III (2022)	Group 25
Anthony M. Tatti (2018)	Group 26
Carol A. Falvey (2020)	Group 27
Mark A. Nacke (2020)	Group 28
Edward L. Scott (2018)	Group 29
Michael G. Takac (2018)	Group 30
Daniel B. Merritt, Jr (2018)	Group 31

County Judges

Circuit5.org

R. James McCune, Jr (2022)	Group 1
Sarah Ritterhoff Williams (2018)	Group 2
Thomas P. Thompson, III (2018)	Group 3
Robert E. Landt (2018)	Group 4

MARION COUNTY CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS ♦ 4 YEAR TERM

Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller

David Ellspermann (2020)

MarionCountyClerk.org

110 NW 1st Avenue
Ocala
352-671-5604

Property Appraiser

Villie Smith (2020)

PA.Marion.FL.us

501 SE 25th Avenue
Ocala
352-368-8300

Sheriff

Billy Woods (2020)

MarionSO.com

692 NW 30th Avenue
Ocala
352-732-8181

Superintendent of Schools

Heidi Maier (2020)

MarionSchools.net

512 SE 3rd Street
Ocala
352-671-7700

Supervisor of Elections

Wesley Wilcox (2020)

VoteMarion.com

981 NE 16th Street
Ocala
352-620-3290

Tax Collector

George Albright, III (2020)

MarionTax.com

503 SE 25th Avenue
Ocala
352-368-8200

Board of County Commissioners

David Moore (2020)

District 1

Kathy Bryant (2018)

District 2

Jeff Gold (2020)

District 3

Carl Zalak, III (2018)

District 4

Michelle Stone (2020)

District 5

MarionCountyFL.org

601 SE 25th Avenue
Ocala
352-438-2323

School Board, Nonpartisan

Nancy Stacy (2020)

District 1

Beth McCall (2020)

District 2

Bobby James (2018)

District 3

Angie Boynton (2018)

District 4

Kelly King (2018)

District 5

MarionSchools.net

512 SE 3rd Street
Ocala
352-671-7700

MARION COUNTY SPECIAL DISTRICTS ♦ 4 YEAR TERM

Soil and Water Conservation District

MarionSoilandWater.com

Justin Albright (2018)	Seat 1
Thomas W. Cartwright (2020)	Seat 2
Fred Ward (2018)	Seat 3
Richard McGinley (2020)	Seat 4
Vivi Serena (2018)	Seat 5

Candler Hills East

CandlerHillsEastCDD.com

Community Development District

Robert Scherff (2018)	Seat 1
Elmer Greene (2020)	Seat 2
Philip J. Moherek, Sr (2020)	Seat 3
Larry W. Garvin (2018)	Seat 4
John D. Bain (2018)	Seat 5

Indigo East Community Development District

IndigoEastCDD.com

Harold Brouillard (2020)	Seat 1
Frank DiPiero (2018)	Seat 2
Ronald Chard (2018)	Seat 3
Cynthia LaFrance (2020)	Seat 4
John Gysen (2018)	Seat 5

Silver Springs Shores

MarionCountyFL.org > MSTU

Special Taxing District Advisory Council

Carlos A. Druet (2018)
Deena Fiorello (2018)
Christopher (CJ) Hagan (2018)
Stanley Saint-Louis (2018)
Terrance Thompson (2020)

Villages Community Development District No. 4

DistrictGov.org

Jim Brockman (2020)	Seat 1
Charles Kazlo (2020)	Seat 2
James A. Murphy (2018)	Seat 3
Paul Kelly (2018)	Seat 4
Donald R. Deakin (2018)	Seat 5

elections majority decision **voice** rights citizen
responsibilities **equal** participation
choice fair **freedom** important **power**
voting representation **opinion**

MARION COUNTY MUNICIPAL OFFICES ♦ 4 YEAR TERM

City of Belleview

BelleviewFL.org

Michael Goldman (2018)	Seat 1	5343 SE Abshier Boulevard
Gary W. Ernst (2020)	Seat 2	Belleview
Ronald T. Livsey (2018)	Seat 3	352-245-7021
Robert “Bo” Smith (2020)	Seat 4	Sandi McKamey, City Clerk [★]
Christine Dobkowski (2020)	Mayor/Seat 5	

City Of Dunnellon

Dunnellon.org

Walter Green (2020)	Mayor/Seat 1	20750 River Drive
Larry Winkler (2020)	Seat 2	Dunnellon
Charles J. Dillon, III (2018)	Seat 3	352-465-8500
Valerie Hanchar (2020)	Seat 4	Dawn Bowne, City Clerk [★]
Richard Hancock (2020)	Seat 5	

City of Ocala

OcalaFL.org

Reuben “Kent” Guinn (2017)	Mayor	110 SE Watula Avenue
Brent Malever (2017)	District 1	Ocala
Mary S. Rich (2019)	District 2	352-629-8401
Jay A. Musleh (2017)	District 3	Angel Jacobs, City Clerk [★]
Matthew Wardell (2019)	District 4	Mayor ♦ 2 Year Term
James Hilty (2017)	District 5	

Town of McIntosh

TownofMcIntosh.org

Eva Jo Callahan (2018)		5965 Avenue F
Frank Ciotti (2018)		McIntosh
Thurman Kingsley (2020)		352-591-1047
Willie Hamilton (2020)	Mayor	Beth Nelson, Town Clerk [★]
Scott Mullikin (2020)		
Marshall Roddy (2020)		

Town of Reddick

TownofReddick.com

James R. Stroup (2017)	Mayor	4345 NW 152nd Street
Steven K. Rogers (2018)	Group 1	Reddick
Michael Salter (2018)	Group 2	352-591-4095
William Pulliam (2018)	Group 3	Mayor ♦ 2 Year Term
Thomas Joyner (2017)	Group 4	Council ♦ 2 Year Term
William E. Willis (2017)	Group 5	Town Clerk ♦ 4 Year Term
Marjorie Stroup (2019)	Town Clerk	

[★]Appointed position

2017 ELECTIONS

Town of Reddick

Wednesday – April 5, 2017

City of Ocala

Tuesday – September 19, 2017

Photo and signature ID required to vote in Florida

Polls are open on Election Day 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM

VOTING BY MAIL

Requirements to Vote-By-Mail

A voter does not have to be absent or have an excuse in order to vote by mail. A request made this year will cover all elections through the next General Election, December 2020.

How do I request a Vote-By-Mail ballot?

Visit VoteMarion.com or call 352-620-3290.



Early Voting

Early Voting is only offered during county-wide elections. The next scheduled county-wide election will be August 2018.

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