

March 6, 2012

Message to American Citizens

REGISTER AND REQUEST YOUR BALLOT FOR UPCOMING PRIMARIES

Voters from these States should visit the FVAP.gov web portal to register and request their absentee ballot for the April, May, and June 2012 Presidential Preference Primary (P) and State Primary (S) elections listed below:

April Primaries (30-Day Notice):

NOTE for April Primaries: If you have not received your requested State ballot, submit the back-up Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot at FVAP.gov (see FWAB information below).

- District of Columbia (P,S): April 3
- Maryland (P,S): April 3
- Wisconsin (P): April 3
- Alabama (Primary Runoff): April 24
- Connecticut (P): April 24
- Delaware (P): April 24
- New York (P): April 24
- Pennsylvania (P,S): April 24
- Rhode Island (P): April 24

May Primaries: (60-Day Notice)

- Indiana (P,S): May 8
- North Carolina (P,S): May 8
- West Virginia (P,S): May 8
- Idaho (P,S): May 15
- Nebraska (P,S): May 15
- Oregon (P,S): May 15
- Arkansas (P,S): May 22
- Kentucky (P,S): May 22
- Texas (P,S): May 29 (This is a change; the election was originally scheduled for March 6, then April 3)

June Primaries: (90-Day Notice)

- California(P, S): June 5
- Iowa (S): June 5
- Montana (P, S): June 5
- New Jersey (P, S): June 5
- New Mexico (P, S): June 5
- South Dakota (P, S): June 5
- Arkansas (Primary Runoff): June 12
- Maine (S): June 12
- Nevada (S): June 12

It may not be too late to participate in the March primaries. [View the Primary Election Calendar](#) at [FVAP.gov](http://www.fvap.gov) for more information.

Go to [FVAP.gov](http://www.fvap.gov) and get started! It only takes a few minutes!

All members of the U.S. Uniformed Services, their family members, and citizens residing outside the U.S. who are residents from these States should submit an FPCA for these elections by going to the [FVAP.gov](http://www.fvap.gov) web portal or by following the instructions in the [Voting Assistance Guide](#), also available at [FVAP.gov](http://www.fvap.gov).

Be sure you include an email address, phone number, and/or fax number on your absentee ballot application in case your local election official needs to contact you. Remember, many States allow you to submit your form electronically, and deliver your ballot electronically or provide online ballot access. Go to [FVAP.gov](http://www.fvap.gov) or your [State's election website](#) to see how you can return your form.

To find out the status of your registration/absentee ballot request, contact your local election office at <http://www.fvap.gov/shortcuts/wheresendfpc.html>, or visit your [State website](#).

Vote the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)

The FWAB is a backup ballot. If 30 days before the election (or longer based on your geographic location) you think you will not receive your State ballot in time to vote and return it (especially in **March** Primary States), vote the FWAB at [FVAP.gov](http://www.fvap.gov). The FWAB is also available in embassies and consulates and military installations around the world.

Additional information

Check your State's election website for specific information on candidates, elections, contact information, and links to your local election offices. Find your State's website at FVAP's web portal: <http://www.fvap.gov/reference/links.html>.

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If you'd like more information on the Federal Voting Assistance Program or need help with the absentee voting process please go to the [FVAP.gov](http://www.fvap.gov) web portal or call FVAP (toll free in the U.S. 1-800-438-VOTE or DSN 425-1584). Email vote@fvap.gov and don't forget to "like" us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/DoDFVAP and follow [@FVAP](#) on Twitter for election updates throughout 2012.

American citizens in Paraguay are encouraged to register with the U.S. Embassy in Asuncion through the [State Department's travel registration website](#).

U.S. Embassy Asuncion contact information:

Tel: 011-595 21-213-715,

After-hours 011-595 21-213-715 extension 2210

Fax: 595-21-228-603

E-mail: ParaguayConsular@state.gov