

**January 11, 2012**

**REGISTER AND REQUEST YOUR BALLOT FOR UPCOMING PRIMARIES**

Voters from these States should visit the [FVAP.gov](http://FVAP.gov) web portal to register and request their absentee ballot for the February, March, and April 2012 Presidential Preference Primaries (P) and State Primaries (S) listed below:

**February Primaries (30-Day Notice):**

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

- Missouri (P): February 7
- Arizona (P): February 28
- Michigan (P): February 28

**March Primaries: (60-Day Notice)**

- Georgia (P): March 6
- Massachusetts (P): March 6
- Ohio (P,S): March 6
- Oklahoma (P): March 6
- Tennessee (P): March 6
- Vermont (P): March 6
- Virginia (P): March 6
- Alabama (P,S): March 13
- Mississippi (P,S): March 13
- Illinois (P,S): March 20
- Louisiana (P,S): March 24

**April Primaries: (90-Day Notice)**

- District of Columbia (P,S): April 3
- Maryland (P,S): April 3
- Texas (P,S): April 3 (This is a change, the election was originally scheduled March 6)
- 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

It may not be too late to participate in the NH, SC, and FL January primaries. [View the Primary Election Calendar](#) at [FVAP.gov](#) for more information.

**Go to [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](#) web portal or by following the instructions in the [Voting Assistance Guide](#), also available at [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](#) 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 **February** Primary States), vote the FWAB at [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](#) web portal or call FVAP at 703-588-1584 (toll free 1-800-438-VOTE or DSN 425-1584). Email [vote@fvap.gov](mailto:vote@fvap.gov) and don't forget to "like" us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/DoDFVAP](http://www.facebook.com/DoDFVAP) and follow [@FVAP](#) on Twitter for election updates throughout 2012.*