

# 2020 ELECTIONS

## *Town of Amherst, MA*



### What are the upcoming 2020 election dates?

- ❖ The State Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, September 1<sup>st</sup>. View [sample ballots](#)
- ❖ The State (Presidential) Election will take place on Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>
- ❖ Polls will be open from 7:00am – 8:00pm on Election Day

### Am I a registered voter & what is my party enrollment?

- ❖ The **deadlines** to register to vote or change your party affiliation are as follows:
  - **State Primary – Saturday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>**
  - **State Election – Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>**
- ❖ You may register to vote or change your party enrollment online at: [www.registertovotema.com](http://www.registertovotema.com)
- ❖ Unenrolled (independent) voters will need to choose which **primary** ballot type they want to vote on. Voters who are registered in a political party (Democrat, Republican, Green-Rainbow, Libertarian) **MUST** take that party ballot type

### Is my voter status "active"?

- ❖ Per state law, voters must return their signed street list census forms annually to the Town Clerk's office to maintain an active voter status. **Inactive voters are still eligible to vote** but will be required to complete additional forms and show an ID at the polls in order to vote. **Check your** voter status online at:  
<https://www.sec.state.ma.us/VoterRegistrationSearch/MyVoterRegStatus.aspx>

### How can I vote for 2020 Elections?

- ❖ *Vote-By-Mail*
  - Voting by mail is available to all registered MA voters for all elections in 2020. You do not need an excuse to vote by mail this year. Ballot return envelopes are postage paid and pre-addressed to the Town Clerk's Office.
  - If a voter wants to deliver their ballot directly to Town Hall, there will be a ***new drop box*** dedicated solely for this purpose by the Main Street entrance of Town Hall
  - You can [track your ballot](#)
  - The deadline to submit a [vote-by-mail application](#) for the State Primary is August 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm
- ❖ *In-person Early Voting*
  - **State Primary:** Bangs Community Center, 70 Boltwood Walk, August 22 – 28. The times are as follows: August 22<sup>nd</sup> 2:00pm – 8:00pm; August 23<sup>rd</sup> 11:00am – 3:00pm; and August 24 – 28 8:00am – 4:30pm
  - **State Election:** October 17 – 25
- ❖ *In-person Election Day Voting*
  - If you have **not** requested a vote-by-mail application you can vote in person on Election Day or during Early Voting
  - Any voter who has returned a vote-by-mail ballot that has been accepted by the local election office **CANNOT** vote on Election Day

### Interested in becoming a poll worker?

- ❖ Help your community exercise their right to vote and play a vital role in election history! Please complete an [election worker application](#)