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## 2018 Gubernatorial Election Update

### ELECTION DAY AT THE PRECINCT, NOVEMBER 6, 2018

**VOTING HOURS:** Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. through 8:00 p.m. Qualified voters standing in line at 8:00 p.m. will be permitted to vote.

**VOTER REGISTRATION CARD:** As long as you are in the correct polling location, your name will appear on the registration list supplied to your precinct. The Voter Identification Card is for your reference and is NOT required to vote.

**ELECTION-RELATED CLOTHING:** Michigan has prohibited the practice of displaying election-related materials at the polls for decades. This includes clothing and buttons as well as materials such as pamphlets, fliers and stickers. You cannot display such items in the polling place or within 100 feet of an entrance to a polling place. If you go to the polls with a shirt or button bearing election-related images or slogans, you will be asked to cover or remove it.

**VOTING YOUR BALLOT:** You are not required to vote the entire ballot. You may pick and choose the races or ballot questions for which you want to vote. Skipping sections of the ballot does not invalidate your ballot. There is no Straight Party option on this November ballot. Simply complete the oval for individual candidates of your choosing.

**CAMERAS, INCLUDING CELL PHONES:** The use of video cameras, still cameras and other recording devices are prohibited in the polls when they are open for voting. This includes still cameras and other recording features built into many cell phones. The ban applies to all voters, challengers, poll watchers and election workers. Exceptions are made for credentialed members of the news media though certain restrictions remain.

### VOTER IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENT IN EFFECT

Every Michigan voter who offers to vote in the polls must comply with the requirement by showing picture identification or signing an affidavit attesting that he or she is not in possession of picture identification. (See [MCL 168.523](#) for voter identification requirement.)

**VOTERS WITH PICTURE ID:** Voters can satisfy the ID requirement by showing a Michigan driver's license or a Michigan personal identification card.

Voters who do not possess either document may show any of the following forms of picture ID as long as it is current:

- Driver's license or personal ID card issued by another state.
- Federal or state government-issued photo ID.
- U.S. passport.
- Military identification card with photo.
- Student identification with photo from a high school or an accredited institution of higher education.
- Tribal identification card with photo.

**VOTERS WITHOUT PICTURE ID:** Michigan election law anticipates that not all voters will have picture ID. Voters who do not have acceptable picture ID or forgot to bring acceptable picture ID to the polls can vote like any other voter by signing an affidavit.

Questions regarding the voter identification requirement can be directed to your local [city](#) or [township](#) clerk's office. For more election related information, visit [Michigan.gov/vote](http://Michigan.gov/vote).

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