



## Orange County Board of Elections

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**ATTENTION:** Orange County, NY Voter

New York State Governor Andrew Cuomo signed Executive Order 202.26, which requires Boards of Elections in New York State to send every eligible voter an Absentee Ballot Application for the election to be held on June 23, 2020.

Enclosed, you will find the New York State Absentee Ballot Application, which if you choose; you may fill out and return to the Orange County Board of Elections using the included pre-addressed, postage-guaranteed envelope. Multiple applications may be returned within the same envelope.

Due to the current COVID-19 crisis and the potential for this virus to be spread within the community, we recommend submitting the Absentee Ballot Application in lieu of visiting your assigned Poll Site on June 23, 2020. For anyone who chooses to use this option, which is currently only available for the June 23, 2020 Primary, the correct reason to be selected under Section 1 of the application would be "**temporary illness or physical disability**". Executive Order 202.15 authorized this option due to the potential for contraction of the COVID-19 virus or for individuals who may be a carrier of the virus without realizing it.

If you select to mail your completed application it must be postmarked no later than 7 days before the June 23, 2020 Primary Election. Completed applications may also be faxed to (845) 291-2437, scanned and e-mailed to: [elections@orangecountygov.com](mailto:elections@orangecountygov.com). or by calling (845)360-6500 and completing your application by phone.

Voters who choose not to submit an Absentee Ballot Application may still have the option of visiting their assigned poll site on June 23, 2020 (polls are open 6AM to 9PM) or participate in Early Voting by visiting your assigned Early Voting location from June 13<sup>th</sup> to June 21<sup>st</sup>. Hours for Early Voting can be found at [www.orangecountygov.com/elections](http://www.orangecountygov.com/elections). **ANYONE WHO CHOOSES TO VOTE AT THEIR ASSIGNED POLL SITE OR EARLY VOTE CENTER MUST HAVE A FACE COVERING.**

We encourage you to visit our website at [www.orangecountygov.com/elections](http://www.orangecountygov.com/elections) to view a sample of your June 23,2020 Primary Election ballot and for up to date information regarding this Election.