

**NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION  
SWAIN, NORTH CAROLINA**

A primary election will be held on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 in SWAIN to vote in the following contests: Democrat: US House of Representatives District 11, Chairman Board of Commissioners, Members Board of Commissioners, and Clerk of Superior Court. Republican: Us House of Representatives District 11, and Members Board of Commissioners.

Polls will be open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on the day of the election, Tuesday, May 8. One-stop early voting will be held at the SWAIN Board of Elections office and Birdtown Rec Center at 1212 Birdtown Road in Cherokee. One-stop early voting will be open from Thursday, April 19 through May 4th with the exceptions of April 21st, 22nd, and 29th from 8:00 am until 5:00 pm daily. We will be open May 5th from 8:00 am until 1:00 p.m. Canvass will be held in the SWAIN Board of Elections office at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, May 18.

Absentee voting by mail is available. Requests for an absentee ballot must be made on an absentee request form (available on the State Board of Elections website, at the county board of elections office and where one-stop early voting is offered), and must be received in the SWAIN Board of Elections office or any one-stop early voting site by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 1. Absentee voting requires the voter to complete an application on the return envelope that must be witnessed by two qualified persons or a notary public. Completed absentee ballots must be returned to the SWAIN Board of Elections by 5:00 p.m. on Election Day (ballots received by mail after this time will be timely if received within three business days and postmarked by Election Day). Voters may receive assistance voting a mail-in absentee ballot from a qualified person of their choice. If the voter lives a facility such as a nursing home, and the voter's near relative or legal guardian is not available, the voter or the facility can arrange to have the county board of elections schedule a visit by a Multipartisan Assistance Team to provide assistance and serve as witnesses.

All persons who are registered to vote with the SWAIN Board of Elections may vote in this election. Persons who are not already registered to vote in the county must register by Friday, April 13 to be eligible to vote in this election. Voters who are not registered in the county by that deadline may register and vote during one stop early voting only, and will be required to provide documentation of their identity and residence. Voters who wish to change party affiliation or who have changed name or address must do so by the registration deadline. Voters who fail to timely make a change in name or address in the county must update the information when presenting to vote, and may be required to vote a provisional ballot.

Voters voting in person are entitled to assistance by an election official, or, if assistance is needed due to disability or illiteracy, by a qualified person of their choice. Voting sites are accessible to all voters. Curbside voting is available for voters who are not able to enter voting sites.

Persons with questions about registration, polling places, early voting, absentee ballots, a Multipartisan Assistance Team visit to a facility, or other election matters may call the SWAIN Board of Elections Office at 828-488-6177 or email at [swain.boe@gmail.com](mailto:swain.boe@gmail.com)

  
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