

● MAKE YOUR MARK ●
● MAKE IT COUNT ●

PINELLAS COUNTY

2008
VOTER
GUIDE



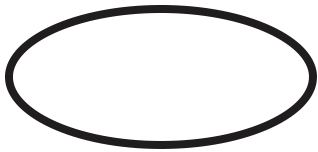
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NEW ELECTION LAW

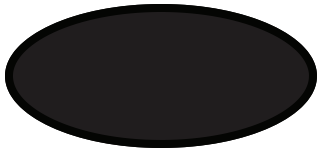
- Beginning July 1, 2008, all voters registered in the state of Florida will be required to vote a paper optical scan ballot whether voting by mail, at an early voting site, or at the polls on Election Day. Voters will NOT receive a paper receipt after voting.

HOW TO VOTE

- You will receive a paper ballot.
- Using a ball point pen with black ink



completely fill in the oval next to each of your selections.



- Vote for only one candidate in each race, unless otherwise indicated on the ballot.
- Review your ballot.
- If you wish to make changes, request another ballot.
- If you are satisfied with your selections...
- **IF YOU ARE VOTING BY MAIL**
 1. Put your ballot in the secrecy envelope.
 2. Put the secrecy envelope in the return envelope.
 3. Seal the envelope.
 4. Sign your name on the back of the return envelope.
 5. Put required postage on the envelope and mail your ballot

OR

drop your ballot off at one the Supervisor of Elections Offices
by 7:00 p.m. Election Day.

- **IF YOU ARE VOTING AT AN EARLY VOTING SITE OR AT A POLLING PLACE**
 1. Take your voted ballot to the optical scanner.
 2. Insert your ballot into the optical scan feeder.
 3. If your ballot is accepted, the scanner will record your votes and place your ballot in a secure ballot box.
 4. The scanner will alert you if your ballot appears blank or contains overvotes. You will then be given the option to either ACCEPT the ballot, or RETURN it to you for corrections.
 5. If you have any questions, ask a poll worker. Once a ballot has been ACCEPTED it cannot be retrieved for correction.

● **VOTERS WITH DISABILITIES**

- An ADA accessible voting machine will be available at each early voting site and Election Day polling place. This ballot marking device uses an optical scan ballot. It allows a voter with disabilities to use an audio function with headset, a sip-and-puff device, or a two-switch paddle device.

● **2008 ELECTION DATES**

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| • PRIMARY ELECTION
August 26, 2008 | Registration Deadline
July 28, 2008 |
| • GENERAL ELECTION
November 4, 2008 | Registration Deadline
October 6, 2008 |

● **ELECTION INFORMATION**

- For information on how to vote by mail, voter registration, how to find your polling place, office locations or how to become a poll worker, please call (727) 464-6108 or visit our Web site at www.votepinellas.com.



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