# For any Election in 2024, you must fill out a new Absentee Ballot Application

#### **QUALIFICATIONS TO RECEIVE AN ABSENTEE BALLOT**

1 – You will be unavoidably absent from your polling site on Election Day

2 - You will be unable to attend your polling site on Election Day due to illness or physical disability

**3** - You are a member of the Uniformed Services, Merchant Marines or the spouse or a dependent family member and are away from your polling location due to the member's active-duty status (Covered under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act or UOCAVA)

**4** - You are a U.S. citizen whose residence is in Arkansas but is temporarily living outside the territorial limits of the United States (UOCAVA)

Note: Early Voting is available between October 21st until November 4th.

#### HOW TO RECEIVE AN ABSENTEE BALLOT

**1** - You can request an absentee ballot application to be sent to you by calling the County Clerk at 870-425-3475 or emailing: <u>elections@baxtercountyar.gov</u>

**2** - You may also download an Absentee Ballot Application from our website <u>www.baxtercountyar.gov</u> or from <u>https://www.sos.arkansas.gov/elections/voter-information/absentee-voting</u>

**3** - UOCAVA voters have additional delivery options for their absentee ballot. Visit <a href="https://www.sos.arkansas.gov/elections/military-and-overseas-citizens">https://www.sos.arkansas.gov/elections/military-and-overseas-citizens</a> or <a href="https://www.sos.arkansas.gov/elections/military-and-overseas-citizens">www.fvap.gov</a>

## **COMPLETE THE ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATION**

**1** - Check the reason you are requesting an absentee ballot

2 - Check where you reside—This information is to determine if are considered a UOCAVA voter

3 - Request an Absentee Ballot for the following election(s):

You may only choose one election or election cycle

- General Election/Nonpartisan Runoff and General Election Runoff
- Or If eligible
  - All Elections for one calendar year: Must be a voter with a disability, in a long-term or residential care facility, or living outside the county
  - All Elections through the next Federal General Election cycle: Must be a UOCAVA voter

#### 4 - How do you wish to receive your Absentee Ballot? Make selection on Absentee Ballot Application

- By Mail from the County Clerk's office
- Electronic Means (Only available for UOCAVA Voters)
- By having a Designated Bearer, Administrator, or Authorized Agent pick up your ballot at the County Clerk's Office
- In person by going to the County Clerk's Office

#### **RETURN THE BALLOT APPLICATION**

• In Person: by close of business Friday, November 1, 2024.

- By Designated Bearer or Administrator: by close of business Friday, November 1, 2024.
  - (Designated Bearer is anyone you choose to pick up and/or deliver your application or ballot).
- By Mail or by Electronic Means: by Tuesday, October 29, 2024.
- By Authorized Agent: by 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 5, 2024.
  - The authorized agent must file with the County Clerk an affidavit from the administrative head of a hospital or nursing home located in this state verifying that the applicant is a patient of the hospital or long-term care or residential care facility licensed by the state and is thereby unable to vote on the election day at his or her regular polling site.

#### **RECEIVING YOUR ABSENTEE BALLOT**

- Once your absentee ballot application has been received and processed you will receive your absentee ballot and voter statement in the mail, by person or electronically (UOCAVA Voters only).
- You can check your absentee ballot status by going to www.voterview.org
  - Voterview will show:
    - The date your ballot was mailed
    - o The date your ballot was received in the County Clerk's office
    - Your ballot status (Accepted or Rejected)



# **RETURNING YOUR ABSENTEE BALLOT**

- Complete your Voter Statement
  - The voter statement is used to verify your information with the absentee application, and must be completed and returned with your absentee ballot. If you fail to complete your voter statement, your ballot will not count.
- Provide a copy of your Approved Photo ID issued by the following:
  - The **United States**,
  - The State of Arkansas,
  - Any Postsecondary Educational Institution accredited in the State, or Trade School, or
  - The County Clerk
  - If the Photo ID displays an expiration date, it must either be current or not expired more than four years before the date of the election in which the person seeks to vote
  - If you do not have an approved photo ID you can contact the Election Commission Office at 870-580-5602 or County Clerk's Office at 870-425-3475

## **VOTE YOUR BALLOT**

- Follow the instructions enclosed with your ballot
- Place your ballot in the "ballot only" envelope
- Place your sealed ballot into the outer mailing envelope provided
- Place your photo ID and completed voter statement in the outer mailing envelope
- Seal and return

## **RETURNING YOUR ABSENTEE BALLOT**

- In Person: by close of business on Friday, November 1, 2024.
- By Designated Bearer: by close of business on Friday, November 1, 2024.
- By Mail: received at clerk's office by 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 5, 2024.
- By Authorized Agent: by 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 5, 2024.