

ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE IN ARCHULETA COUNTY????



You may visit www.govotecolorado.com or www.sos.state.co.us to verify your voting status and information. You may also register to vote there. You will need your Colorado Driver's License number in order to register.

Once there, you may:

- ✓ Verify your voter information
- ✓ Become a permanent mail-in voter
- ✓ Update your address
- ✓ Update your party affiliation



IMPORTANT DATES:

Last day to register to vote:

- Tuesday, October 9, 2012

Last day to apply for a ballot if you want us to mail it to you:

- Tuesday, October 30, 2012

Last day to apply for a ballot if you want to pick it up:

- Friday, November 2, 2012

Election Day:

- Tuesday, November 6, 2012



VOTING OPTIONS

Early Voting:

- Early Voting begins Monday, October 22, 2012 and will be held in the Election's Office at the Archuleta County Courthouse. The office is downstairs in the back of the courthouse. Early voting hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. It ends Friday, November 2, 2012.

Mail-In Ballots:

- Mail-in ballots for the 2012 General Election will be mailed the week of October 15, 2012.
- Voted ballots must be returned by 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 6, 2012. Postmark is not acceptable.

Election Day Vote Centers:

2012 General Election is on Tuesday, November 6, 2012 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

1. Archuleta County Courthouse, Commissioner's Meeting Room
449 San Juan St, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
2. Ross Aragon Community Center (gym)
451 Hot Springs Blvd., Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
3. Restoration Fellowship Church
264 Village Dr. (behind the West City Market), Pagosa Springs, CO 81147



IMPORTANT ELECTION NOTICE FOR OUR VOTERS!!!!

Where will you be after October 15, 2012?

Mail-in ballots are what Absentee ballots are now called. If you have requested a ballot be mailed to you somewhere other than your voter mailing address or if you requested to have all your ballots mailed to your mailing address, you will be receiving a mail-in ballot.

All mail-in (Absentee) ballots are mailed to the voter's MAILING ADDRESS on file with the Archuleta County Election's Office.

If you need to VERIFY your current mailing address and/or CHANGE your mailing address, you may visit the Secretary of State's website at www.sos.state.co.us and verify and/or change any of your information. Make sure you go all the way through the program so it will send the data to our office.



[MAIL-IN \(ABSENTEE\) BALLOTS](#)

Frequently asked questions

Why do I have to sign the back of the ballot envelope?

- Your signature is required by law in order to count your ballot. Your signature will be compared to your signature/s on file in the voting system. If your signature matches the signature on file, your ballot will be counted. If the signature raises questions you will be contacted to verify you did in fact vote and sign the ballot envelope. Discrepancies in signatures that cannot be confirmed will be turned over to the District Attorney Office for investigation.

Do I have to return my mail-in ballot by mail?

- No. You have the choice of mailing your ballot or returning it in person to the Archuleta County Courthouse either upstairs in the Motor Vehicle Office or downstairs in the Election's Office. The places, times and dates will be shown on the secrecy sleeve included in your ballot packet.

When must the voted mail-in ballot be returned?

- Ballots must be received by 7:00 p.m. on Election Day, November 6, 2012. If received after the date or time, the ballot will not be counted. It will not be opened but will be sealed along with the voted ballots after the election is over.

What if I make a mistake on my ballot?

- If you make a mistake on your ballot do not attempt to correct it or use whiteout. Please contact the Election's Office at 264-8331 and you can find out how to go about replacing that ballot.

Will my vote still count if I forget the secrecy sleeve?

- Yes. All eligible ballots will be counted regardless of whether they are sent back in a secrecy sleeve. The sleeve is just added security for the secrecy of your ballot.

What if I forget to sign my return envelope and I have already mailed it?

- If you return your ballot without having signed affidavit on the return envelope, we will contact you by mail and if possible by phone. You will have up to 8 days after the election to come into the Election's Office and sign the affidavit on the envelope.

Can someone find out how I've voted?

- No. The procedure for processing mail-in ballots ensures the secrecy of the voter. The outside envelopes are removed with the ballot (still inside the secrecy sleeve) being passed to the next judge. No name is associated with the ballot at this point in the process. Then the secrecy sleeve is removed and the ballot is passed to the next judge who opens it up and sets it into the ballot box for counting by the Counting Board.