

GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION – MARCH 17, 2026
VOTER REGISTRATION - EARLY VOTING – VOTE BY MAIL – GRACE PERIOD
SCHEDULES

VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINES TO VOTE AT PRIMARY ELECTION

County Clerk's Office or Any Deputy Registrar: February 17, 2026

Mail-in Application: February 17, 2026

Secretary of State Office: March 1, 2026

Online at IL State Board of Elections Website: March 1, 2026

For registration after these dates, see Grace Period Registration and Voting below.

EARLY VOTING IN COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

START: FEBRUARY 5, 2026
(40 days prior to election)

END: MARCH 16, 2026
(1 day prior to election)

VOTE BY MAIL

START: FEBRUARY 5, 2026
(40 days prior to election)

END: MARCH 12, 2026
(5 days prior to election)

Any registered voter within the confines of United States, can make an application to vote by mail beginning on December 17, 2025 and the ballot will be mailed on February 5, 2026.

GRACE PERIOD VOTERS (NEW REGISTRANTS & TRANSFERS)
ONLY IN COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

START: FEBRUARY 18, 2026
(27 days before election)

END: MARCH 17, 2026
(Election Day)

Grace period registration & voting ends at 7 P.M. on Election Day and is available only in the office of the County Clerk. Two forms of identification are required to register and at least one must have voter's current physical address in Shelby County.

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Regular Office Hours:

Monday – Friday from 8:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

Courthouse is closed February 12 and February 16

Open Non-Regular Office Hours for Early & Grace Period Voting Only:

Saturday, March 14 from 9A.M. – Noon

Election Day Countywide Poll Center

Shelby County Clerk's Office from 6 A.M. – 7 P.M.