



# Lewis County Elections

## Presidential Primary Election - March 12, 2024

### Voting Instructions

#### Vote:

- Mark your ballot.
  - Vote for one candidate matching your party selection.
- Put your ballot in the security envelope.
- Place the security envelope inside the return envelope and seal.

#### Sign:

- Sign & date the voter declaration and pick a party.

#### Return:

- Return your ballot by mail or ballot drop box.

### Voting Center

Lewis County Auditor's Office - Elections Department

- 351 NW North St, Chehalis, WA
- Phone: 360-740-1278
- Email: [elections@lewiscountywa.gov](mailto:elections@lewiscountywa.gov)
- Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
*Election Day, March 12th, 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.*

#### Services Available:

- Accessible equipment and assistance
- Replacement ballots
- Voter registration & address updates

For a list of the people and organizations that donated to candidates visit [www.fec.gov](http://www.fec.gov).

### Returning Your Ballot



#### By Drop Box:

No postage needed.

Ballot drop boxes open February 23rd and close at 8:00 p.m. on March 12th.

Available boxes: Courthouse | Chehalis Ave | Centralia College | Twin Cities Senior Center | Morton | Mossyrock | Napavine | Toledo | Vader | Winlock | Mineral | Onalaska | Packwood | Pe Ell



#### By Mail:

No stamp needed.

Ballots must be postmarked by March 12th.

USPS recommends mailing by March 5th.

Confirm your ballot's receipt:

Visit [VoteWA.gov](http://VoteWA.gov) - select My Ballot>Ballot Status to see if your ballot has been received.

# Voting in the Presidential Primary



If you will be 18 by the November 5 General Election, you can vote in the Presidential Primary.

The Presidential Primary is **March 12**.  
Follow these steps for your vote to count.

**1** Read the declarations on your return envelope.

**2** Mark **one** political party declaration box (required).

**3** Sign and date the declarations (required).

**1** **1 Voter's Declaration:** I do solemnly swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that requirements for voting mandated by state law; at least 18 years old on election day, or 1 election; voting only once in this election and not voting in any other United States jurisd Department of Corrections for a Washington felony conviction or currently incarcerated; a court order; and aware it is illegal to forge a signature or cast another person's ballot or falsely signing this declaration is a felony punishable by a maximum imprisonment of

**2** **2 Mark one party declaration box (Required)**

**Democratic Party**  
I declare that my party preference is the Democratic Party and I will not participate in the nomination process of any other political party for the 2024 Presidential election.

**Republican Party**  
I declare that my party preference is the Republican Party and I will not participate in the nomination process of any other political party for the 2024 Presidential election.

**3** **3 Sign & Date**


Signature of voter (Required)      Date      Phone (Optional)

If you cannot sign, make a mark and have two witnesses sign below.  
Power of Attorney cannot be used to sign for someone else.

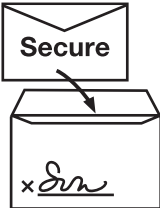
Witness 1 Signature      Witness 2 Signature

**4** 

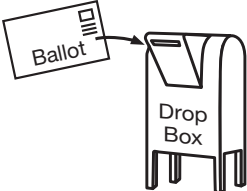
Vote for **one** candidate from the political party you marked in Step 2.

**5** 

Insert your voted ballot into your security envelope.

**6** 

Insert your security envelope into your marked and signed return envelope.

**7** 

Return your ballot no later than **Tuesday, March 12, 2024**.



## Why do I need to mark a party box?

**For this election only**, you must mark and sign a party declaration for your vote to count. The major political parties require voters to mark a party box.

If you mark the Democratic Party box, you must vote for a Democrat.

If you mark the Republican Party box, you must vote for a Republican.

Your selection will not affect how you may vote in future elections.

Attempts to change the party declaration wording could result in your ballot not being counted.

## Vote for one.

You may vote for one candidate **or** the "Uncommitted Delegates" option, but not both.

- A vote for one candidate listed on the ballot directs party delegates to support that candidate at their national convention.
- A vote for "Uncommitted Delegates" allows uncommitted party delegates who represent Washington to decide during their national convention.

On January 9, each political party decided which candidates would be printed and whether to add "Uncommitted Delegates" to their side of the ballot. Once the list of candidates was submitted to the Office of the Secretary of State, changes could not be made (RCW 29A.56).