

Student Voters

A student can choose to register to vote in the county where their college or university is located or in the county of their parents' home. You cannot be registered in both places. If you would like to register to vote in Llano County, the Elections Office can provide you with the information and form you need.

Students can vote by absentee mail ballot if they will be absent from the county in which they are registered on Election Day. Please contact the Elections Office for the information and the form you need.

Senior Voters and Voters with Special Needs

The Llano County Elections Office is committed to creating a “safe haven” for voters so they can exercise their right to vote in a polling place with a non-intimidating, supportive environment. We believe in making all polling places fully accessible. We believe all voters have the right to cast their ballot independently and privately. To meet these goals, Llano County's efforts include:

- Offering Hart's Hybrid Verity voting equipment and a system of electronic voting that meets disability standards as prescribed by the Texas Secretary of State and Federal Help America Vote Act (HAVA) requirements.
- Working to ensure that 100 percent of all polling locations are accessible in accordance with standards set forth by the United States Department of Justice.
- Providing education to election workers on methods to best assist voters with disabilities and voters 65 years of age and older.

Voting System Offers Accessibility Options

Llano County's voting system meets the disability standards as prescribed by the Texas Secretary of State and Federal Help America Vote Act. These features allow voters to cast their votes privately, securely, and without assistance.

- The paper-based Hart Hybrid Verity Voting System uses touch-screen technology in a Ballot Marking Device (BMD) that produces a paper record for tabulation. As a BMD, the Verity System handles the entire marking

process, eliminating marginal marks and the need for interpretation of the voter's mark.

- Voters who are visually impaired or blind may choose to use headphones to hear the ballot read aloud. The audio is recorded in both English and Spanish.
- Voters with limited dexterity or limited upper body mobility may vote by using the tactile input switches on the equipment. Sip-and-puff accessibility is also available.
- Our customized voting tables make all the voting machines wheelchair accessible.
- Voters with disabilities may request the option of "curbside voting." In this case, a poll worker brings a voting unit to the voter's vehicle.

Receiving Assistance at the Polls

You are entitled to receive assistance if you cannot read or write or if you have a physical disability that prevents you from reading or marking the ballot. You may be assisted by a person of your choice who is not your union representative or employer. Under certain circumstances, election workers are also available upon request to assist you.

Pursuant to Section 63.0013, Elections Code: An election officer may give voting order priority to individuals with a mobility problem that substantially impairs the person's ability to move around.

Using an Interpreter

If you cannot speak English, or if you communicate only with sign language, you may use an interpreter to help you communicate with election officials at the polling place. You may select anyone to be your interpreter. If you cannot read the languages on the ballot, your interpreter may also assist you by translating the language on the ballot for you in the voting booth.