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Franklin County Sample Ballots Available Online

(Columbus) Absentee voting begins Tuesday, but voters can see the candidates and issues that will appear on their general election ballot now. Sample ballots for each Franklin County precinct are posted online at http://vote.franklincountyohio.gov

Visitors can enter their name, house number and birth year - or their address alone- to view the sample ballot for their precinct. If no results appear, or if a search returns a previous address, the voter may need to update their registration by Oct. 9 to vote in the general election.

Voters are encouraged to inspect their ballot online to make informed choices and to save time at the polls whether they are planning to vote absentee in person or on Election Day.

"There are more than 1,000 ballot combinations in Franklin County .The sample ballots will show exactly the same candidates and issues you'll see regardless of when and where you'll be voting," board of elections Director Bill Anthony said.

"It saves everyone time when voters show up at the polls ready to vote," added Deputy Director Dana Walch. "The sample ballot allows voters to make decisions without feeling rushed and that's important whether you're choosing a candidate or trying to understand complex language sometimes used to describe tax levies and bond issues."

Voters have until Oct. 9 to register for the general election.

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