



We Can Lead Change Educational Series

Voting In Kane County

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**Who can vote
by mail?**

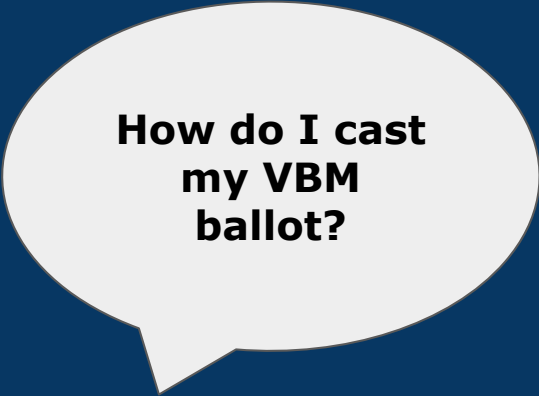


- Any qualified elector of the State of Illinois who is properly registered to vote can vote by mail (VBM),
EXCEPT
 - Persons who have registered by mail without providing identification and will be voting for the first time.
- VBM requests can be made online or by mail-in application. Visit [Kane County Clerk Elections](#) webpage.
- You will receive your VBM ballot within 3 to 5 business days from when your request has been received by the Kane County Elections Authority.
- VBM ballots will be mailed out to voters beginning September 24.
- October 29 is the last day to request a VBM ballot.

**How do I
complete my
VBM ballot?**



- **Once you receive your VBM ballot it becomes your passport to voting. It is important to not misplace the ballot, even if you decide to not use it and vote in person Early or on Election Day.**
- **Fill out your VBM ballot and return it as soon as you receive it. It is recommended to return your VBM ballot by October 9.**
- **Take the extra time to read instructions thoroughly and vote for all races and questions.**
- **Place the VBM ballot in the envelope and seal it.**
- **Sign the back of the envelope using your official voter registration signature.**



**How do I cast
my VBM
ballot?**



- **To cast your sealed and signed VBM ballot:**
 - **Mail it at the USPS. No stamp needed.**
- OR**
- **Take it to a Kane County drop box location.**
 - **The Kane County Clerk's Office in Geneva**
 - **The Aurora Satellite Office**
- **You may change your mind and vote in person Early or on Election Day:**
 - **Surrender the VBM ballot to the judges at an early voting location or at your polling place on Election Day.**
 - **Sign the required affidavit.**
 - **Vote using election equipment.**

**How do I track
my VBM
ballot?**



- **BallotTrax is a secure software application that locates ballot envelopes.**
 - Works with election officials and USPS to send you messages when your ballot is received as well as notifies you if there is a discrepancy.
 - VBM voters can see their mail-in ballot status and sign up for alerts.
 - It tracks your envelope but not your vote!
 - The only information you will need is your first name, last name, DOB and zip code as it appears on your voter registration.
- **Your VBM ballot once received by the Kane County Clerk's office will be verified by the election judges.**
 - If correct, then the ballot is accepted and accounted for.
 - If incorrect, the registered voter will be notified by mail.
- **Your vote is not tabulated until polls close on election night, November 3, 2020.**

**My
Vote By Mail
Check List**



- **REQUEST** your VBM ballot. Go to the [Kane County Clerk Elections](#) webpage.
- Your VBM ballot is your **PASSPORT TO VOTING**. Do not misplace it.
- **CAREFULLY FILL** out the VBM ballot, place it in the envelope and **SEAL** it.
- **SIGN** the back of the **ENVELOPE** using your official voter registration signature.
- **RETURN** your VBM ballot by **USPS MAIL** or a **DROP BOX**. Recommended by no later than **October 9**.
- If you change your mind and decide to vote in person either **EARLY** or on Election Day, **BRING** the VBM ballot **WITH YOU** to the polling place.

**What if I have
questions?**



The Kane County Clerk Website, Elections Page:

<https://www.kanecountyclerk.org/Elections>



Drop Off Box Locations:

**Kane County Clerk
719 S. Batavia Ave, Bldg B
Geneva, IL 60134**

**Aurora Office
5 E. Downer Pl., Suite F
Aurora, IL 60505**