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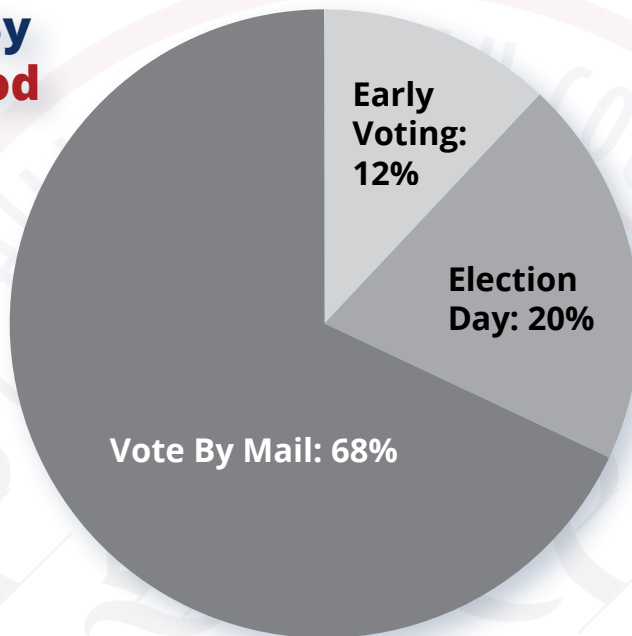


September 2020

Primary Election *Facts & Figures*

Breakdown By Voting Method

- Early Voting
- Election Day
- Vote By Mail



With new drive-up drop off tents outside of our 24 Early Voting sites, **15% of our Vote By Mail voters chose to drop their ballot off in person.**



Election results were reported from all **390 Election Day precincts** by **8:07 PM**

Number of ballots cast: **227,843**

Total voter turnout: **25%**

ARE YOU READY FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION?

If you want to request a Vote By Mail ballot, visit VoteHillsborough.org or call (813) 744-5900 to request one. You can expect to receive your ballot the first week in October.

- **September 18:** Vote By Mail ballots mailed to absent military and overseas voters
- **September 24:** Vote By Mail ballots mailed to domestic voters

Important: October 5 is the deadline to register to vote (if not already registered)

the flip side



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Primary Election Feedback

FROM VOTERS:

Stopped to early vote today and I want to commend @HillsboroughSOE on the setup. Volunteers wearing masks, plexiglass setup to protect volunteers, and giving away pens to fill out ballots to avoid multiple people touching pens.

Just finished #EarlyVoting after making mistake on my #VoteByMail ballot 😊 they signed me in, took my old ballot, gave me a new one & our very own pen/stylus to sign-in & fill-in ballot 😊 poll workers were wearing masks & behind plastic barriers-great job @HillsboroughSOE 🙌🏻 – at Jan Kaminis Platt Regional Library

Just early voted in #Tampa and super impressed by the safety precautions put in place by @HillsboroughSOE. Super spaced out, sneeze guards, fewer spots and one pen to sign in and fill out your ballot. Get out there and vote, #Florida

FROM POLL WORKERS:

“For me, the best moment of the day was opening up the poll and accepting our first person to vote!”

“I’ve been trying to talk everyone into being a poll worker...it’s something every citizen should get involved in.”



IN THE MEDIA:



“Could Florida lead the way with mail-in ballots and early voting?”

-NBC Network News

Did You Know?



September 1st was National Poll Worker Recruitment Day, and we received applications from hundreds of potential poll workers in response. **A big thank you to #TeamTampaBay**, a group consisting of the Tampa Bay Sports Commission, Tampa Bay Buccaneers, Tampa Bay Lightning, Tampa Bay Rays, Tampa Bay Rowdies and USF Athletics. Each organization will offer its staff paid time off to be a poll worker.

They are leading a community-wide effort to share information and encourage participation in the upcoming election.

the last word

Poll Workers: Help us recruit great people like you by sharing this newsletter with friends, and by emailing rbashore@hcsOE.org with a picture and a sentence about why you chose to be part of our Election Day team. **We might share your story on social media!**

