



# FAQs for the May 12, 2020 School & Municipal Elections

## What offices are up for election?

- **BELLEVILLE:** *(see below for list of candidates)*
  - \*Council (by Ward)
- **IRVINGTON:** *(see below for a list of candidates)*
  - \*Council by (Ward)
  - \*Members of the Board of Education (3 seats)
  - \*Unexpired Term Member of the Board of Education
- **MONTCLAIR:** *(see below for a list of candidates)*
  - \*Mayor
  - \*Council-at-Large (two seats)
  - \*Council (by Ward)
- **NEWARK:** *(see below for a list of candidates)*
  - \*Members of the Board of Education (3 seats)
- **NUTLEY:** *(see below for a list of candidates)*
  - \*Board of Commissioners (5 seats)
- **ORANGE:** *(see below for a list of candidates)*
  - \*Mayor
  - \*Council-at-Large (3 seats)



### **These elections will be held 100% VOTE BY MAIL.**

- There will be NO in-person polling places for this election.
- Every registered voter will be sent a ballot in the mail automatically.

### **Will there be in-person voting at my usual polling place for this election?**

- No. Polling places will not be operated, as a precaution against the spread of Covid-19. Voting will be done by mail only.

### **How secure is Vote by Mail?**

- VERY secure!
- Every ballot has a unique barcode that is scanned once it is received.
- Your signature is checked against your signature on-record, just as it is at a polling place.
- Your signature and identifying information are separated from the ballot before your vote is entered into the system, so your voting choices remain completely anonymous.

### **Am I registered? What do I need to know about registration?**

**How do I check if I'm registered?** Visit <https://voter.svrs.nj.gov/registration-check>.

**What is the registration deadline?** If your registration was received by Tuesday, April 21, you will be eligible to vote in the May 12 election.

### **When will I receive my ballot in the mail?**

Ballots are being mailed to all registered voters on Wednesday, April 22-April 24. You should receive your ballot shortly thereafter.

### **What should I do if I have not received a ballot, or if my ballot has been lost or destroyed?**

#### **\* Request a replacement by mail/email/fax:**

You may visit the [www.essexclerk.com](http://www.essexclerk.com) and download a Second Ballot Request Form, print and fill it out. If you do not have access to a printer, call the county at (973) 621-4922 for guidance.

Return the request. You may return the request in person to the County Clerk's Office and receive your mail-in-ballot on the spot or,

1. You may scan or photograph the it and email it back to [jferry@clerk.essexcountynj.org](mailto:jferry@clerk.essexcountynj.org)
2. You may fax it to (973) 621-4960

***A new ballot will be sent to you via priority mail.***



### **When should I return my ballot?**

- You do not have to wait. You may return your ballot as soon as you receive it and fill it out.
- Ballots must be postmarked no later than May 12 — Election Day. They must be received within 48 hours of Election Day.
- We anticipate Covid-related delays in mail service, so we advise mailing your ballot well in advance of the May 12 postmark date to be sure it is received in time to meet the 48-hour deadline.
- If you are returning your ballot in person to the Board of Elections (465 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, Room 411, Newark, NJ 07102), you must deliver it by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.

### **Do I need to stamp the envelope?**

- No! The postage for your ballot is pre-paid.

### **Can I bring ballots to the Board of Elections to turn them in for friends or family members?**

- You may bring in ballots for no more than THREE people, including your own. You must bring a driver's license or other acceptable form of identification. See [here](#) for details.

### **How do I know if my ballot was received?**

- You may contact the Board of Elections at 973-621-5679 or 973-621-5072 to find out if your ballot has been received.
- Please allow a week after sending to inquire.

### **Does voting by mail in this election mean I will automatically be signed up to vote by mail in future elections?**

- No! When polling places are re-opened for future post-COVID elections, you will revert to your regular voting method, whether that was VBM or in-person.

### **Who do I contact if I have questions?**

- Contact the Essex County Clerk's office if you have questions.

Essex County Clerk's Office: Tel: (973) 621-4922 or (973) 387-7314

Email: [jferry@clerk.essexcountynj.org](mailto:jferry@clerk.essexcountynj.org)

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List of Candidate

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**BELLEVILLE**

**1st Ward:**

- \*Marie Strumolo Burke
- \*Carmine A. Mattia

**2nd Ward:**

- \*Frank Velez
- \*Steven J. Rovell

**3rd Ward:**

- \*Vincent Cozzarelli

**4th Ward:**

- \*John J. Notari
- \*Miosotty Martinez

**For Mayor:**

- \*Renee Baskerville
- \*Sean Spiller

**For Council:**

**Council at Large:**

- \*James Cotter
- \*Carmel Loughman
- \*Bob Russo
- \*Roger Terry
- \*Peter Yacobellis

**IRVINGTON**

**North Ward Council:**

- \*Orlander G. Vick
- \*Micano Evra
- \*Eric Dixon

**South Ward Council:**

- \*Al-Tariq Shabazz
- \*Jamillah Z. Beasley

**East Ward Council:**

- \*Paul J. Inman
- \*Sean C. Evans

**West Ward Council:**

- \*Destin Nicolas
- \*Vern Cox

**Mem. of the Board of Education**

- \* Conrad McPherson
- \* Gene Etchison
- \*Syessa Benbow
- \*Audrey Lyon

**Mem. Of the Board of Education**

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- \*Gloria Chison
- \*Annette Beasley

**MONTCLAIR:**

**1st Ward:**

- \*John Hearn
- \*Bill Hurlock

**2nd Ward:**

- \*Robin Schlager
- \*Christine "Chrissy" Thomas

**3rd Ward:**

- \*Lori Price Abrams
- \*Marguerite "Maggie" Joralemon

**4th Ward:**

- \*David Cummings



**NEWARK:**

**Members of the Board of Education**

- \*Josephine C. Garcia
- \*Hasani Council
- \*Flohisha Johnson
- \*Ronnie E. Kellam
- \*Phillip Wilson
- \*Sheila Montague

**ORANGE:**

**Mayor:**

- \*Dwayne D. Warren
- \*Rayfield R. Morton
- \*Donna K. Williams
- \*Christopher G. Jackson
- \*Michael Jean Baptiste
- \*Shawn D. Hunter

**NUTLEY:**

**Commissioner:**

- \*Lorenzo E. Marchese, Jr.
- \*Mauro G. Tucci
- \*Maria Hamlin
- \*Alphonse (Al) Petracco
- \*Frank Contella
- \*John V. Kelly III
- \*Joseph P. Scarpelli
- \*Christopher Cullari
- \*Carmine Alessio
- \*Daniel A. Carnicella
- \*Thomas J. Evans
- \*Sanford (Sam) D. Fleitell

**ORANGE:**

**Council At-Large**

- \*Clifford R. Ross
- \*Dwight E. Johnson
- \*Edward B. Marable, Jr.
- \*Kenneth Toussaint
- \*Lynval H. James
- \*Quantavia L. Hilbert
- \*Joseph M. Juliano
- \*Coram J. Rimes, Jr.
- \*Antoinett A. Hall
- \*Weldon M. Montague, III
- \*Adrienne K. Wooten

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See final page for a printable  
Second- Ballot Request Form

**\* In order to receive a second ballot, you must submit this form:**

**MAY 12, 2020 -SCHOOL BOARD & MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS**

**SECOND BALLOT REQUEST FORM**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print)

**REGISTERED ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print)

**MAIL MY BALLOT  
TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print)

**DATE OF BIRTH:** \_\_\_\_\_  
please print)

**SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print)

**REASON FOR REQUEST**

(please circle applicable )

- 1. I have not received my first ballot**
- 2. I mistakenly threw away or misplaced my ballot**
- 3. I accidentally made a mistake on my ballot and am requesting a second ballot.**

Please contact the Essex County Clerks Office at 973-387-7314 with any questions or concerns. Once completed email this application and a vote by mail application back to [jfer-ry@clerk.essexcountynj.org](mailto:jfer-ry@clerk.essexcountynj.org) or fax to 973-621-4960.