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Montgomery County Board of Elections Announces Election Day 2020 Reporting Process

Norristown, PA (November 2, 2020) – The Montgomery County Board of Elections released today its reporting process for Election Day 2020. This includes procedures for vote counting, reporting, and anticipated timelines in advance of Election Day.

"Our goal is to provide updated election returns in as close to real time as we can," said Kenneth E. Lawrence Jr., chair of the Montgomery County Board of Elections. "We have tripled the size of our Voter Services Office, purchased new counting machines, and are prepared for a safe and secure election. Once we begin counting, we're not going to stop counting until we're done."

Polling places are open from 7 a.m. through 8 p.m. Anyone in line by 8 p.m. will be able to cast their vote. Residents are encouraged to confirm their polling place by visiting this page.

"Voters choosing to cast their vote in person are encouraged to wear a mask, practice social distancing, and make sure to wash their hands before and after visiting the polls," said Dr. Valerie A. Arkoosh, chair of the Montgomery County Board of Commissioners. "Given that approximately 45 percent of Montgomery County registered voters have requested to vote by mail, we anticipate a much lower number of voters at our polling places compared with a typical presidential election."

Montgomery County is taking every precaution recommended by the Centers for Disease Control to reduce the transmission of COVID-19 including physical and social distancing, the use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), and frequent disinfection of surfaces.

Montgomery County has prepared for the 2020 General Election by adding significant staff and equipment to help administer the General Election. This is to ensure election results are processed and posted in an accurate and timely manner. Due to the large volume of mail-in votes received in Montgomery County, complete results will not be posted by the end of Election Night.

Montgomery County will begin processing received mail-in ballots at 7 a.m. on November 3. Initial results of mail-in ballots are expected to be posted starting at 8:30 p.m. Mail-in ballots will continue to be opened and counted 24 hours a day until completed. In person results from

precincts are expected to begin coming in by approximately 9 p.m. on November 3 and should be complete and posted by approximately 1 a.m. on November 4.

Election returns will be posted to the County's Election Results Map. The County has developed this dashboard to provide the public with a clear and accurate view of election results. Viewers will be able to see the results as they come in as well as those yet to be counted. The results map will be updated approximately hourly through 1 a.m. on November 4 and again starting at 6 a.m. Updating will continue until all results are posted.

Residents with any questions about voting can visit www.montcopa.org/Election2020 for more information.

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