

OKALOOSA COUNTY SAMPLE BALLOT

**General Election
November 4, 2008**



Pat Hollarn, Okaloosa County Supervisor of Elections

The Choice is Yours!

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Dear Voters,

While many more people participate in the presidential election than any other election and there are few local and district races on this ballot, remember that all the candidates and issues are important. Be sure to turn your ballot over when you receive it to vote both sides.

For additional information on the six constitutional amendments on the back side of your actual ballot—either absentee, early voting or at the precinct—please feel free to visit www.votesmartflorida.org. Be aware that Vote Smart is a third party, non-partisan organization and is in no way affiliated with the Okaloosa County Supervisor of Elections office.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the voters of Okaloosa County for allowing me to serve as your Supervisor of Elections for the past twenty years. It has been a labor of love as well as service and I appreciate your continued support of the mission of this office, which is to have the finest election administration, with integrity, fairness and accuracy, for Okaloosa County and the State of Florida.

Check out our website at www.govote-okaloosa.com for additional information or email me at phollarn@co.okaloosa.fl.us any time.

Sincerely,



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HOW TO MARK YOUR BALLOT

- Use a *BLACK* Pen.
- If you make a mistake on the ballot, you may request a new one.
- Mark only one choice per race when “Vote for One” is indicated.
- To vote for a candidate whose name is not printed on the ballot, fill in the oval, and write in the candidate’s name on the blank line provided for a write-in candidate.
- If you mark more than indicated, your vote in that race *WILL NOT* count. (Overvote)
- You *MUST* completely fill in the oval (as shown below) for your vote to be counted.
Any other mark *MAY NOT BE READ* by the scanner.



EARLY VOTING

Attention! The early voting site for south Okaloosa County **will not** be the Northwest Florida Fairgrounds for the November 4 General Election. The new location will be the University of Florida Research and Engineering Education Facility (REEF).

Early voting will not be conducted at either Okaloosa County Supervisor of Elections' offices. The Supervisor of Elections office will limit voting in the offices to picking up "traditional" absentee ballots.

North Okaloosa County Early Voting Site:

Robert L.F. Sikes Public Library
1445 Commerce Dr., Crestview, FL 32539

New Location! - South Okaloosa County Early Voting Site:

University of Florida Research and Engineering Education Facility (REEF)
1350 N. Poquito Road (Intersection of Lewis Turner Blvd. & N. Poquito Road)
Shalimar, FL 32579

Early voting will be October 20 to November 1, Monday through Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. All voters (registered as of October 6 book closing) from any precinct may vote at either location. Early voters will be using optical scan ballots, but to serve all voters from all precincts requiring all 78 ballot styles to be available, we will be using the new ballot-on-demand printers and scanners.

Each polling place will be equipped with one touch screen machine, which is capable of allowing voters with disabilities to vote secretly and independently, without assistance. This is a requirement of the federal Help America Vote Act of 2002 and conforming Florida legislation.



ABSENTEE BALLOTS

“Traditional” absentee voting is by paper ballot (optical scan) using the envelope process. The most convenient way to obtain an absentee ballot is to contact the elections office by phone, email, web form, letter, or in person. No one can pick up a ballot for anyone else, except an immediate family member of a voter who designates that person in writing, and that can only be done on the fifth day prior to and up to Election Day.

Deadline for requesting a ballot to be mailed is the sixth day prior to the election (October 29) and last day ballots will be mailed out is the fourth day prior (October 31). Absentee ballots must be received in the elections office by 7 p.m. on Election Day. Absentee ballots may **not** be turned in at the precinct polling places or early voting sites.

PROVISIONAL BALLOTS

In order to ensure that no eligible voter is turned away, the law provides for a person whose eligibility may be questioned at the polls for several reasons. If no final determination can be made at the time of voting, or if the voter disagrees with a determination of eligibility, he or she may vote a provisional ballot.

This ballot is secured in an envelope and the canvassing board will determine whether it is to be counted after research is completed by the elections office. In addition, the voter has until 5 p.m. on the second day after the election to provide any further evidence he or she may have to prove his or her eligibility. All provisional voters are given written notice of free access to information on the disposition of his or her own provisional ballot.

Note: Voters who fail to bring photo and signature ID when voting are now required by law to vote a provisional ballot. Voting by affirmation for lack of ID has been repealed.



SAMPLE

☐ YES

☐ NO

Fire Commissioner & Special District races will appear here for Baker- Group 2, Destin- Group 2, North Okaloosa- Group 5, North Bay- Group 1,3,4,5 and Bluewater Bay MSBU- Group 1

*Please remember to
vote both sides of
your ballot card.*

Congressional District 1
All precincts **except** part of 25;
all of 26, 40, 46, 49; and part of 50.

CONGRESSIONAL

**REPRESENTATIVE IN
CONGRESS
DISTRICT 1
(Vote for One)**

☐ Jeff Miller REP

☐ James Jim Bryan DEM

Baker Fire District
Precinct 1

**BAKER FIRE
COMMISSIONER
Group 2
(Vote for One)**

☐ Jeffery B. Jackson

☐ Gary "Jackie" Paul

North Bay Fire District
Commissioner
Part of Precinct 26;
all of 40 & 46

**NORTH BAY FIRE
COMMISSIONER
Group 4
(Vote for One)**

☐ John A. Hipp

☐ Tim Stapleton

Congressional District 2
Part of 25; all of 26, 40, 46, 49
and part of 50.

**REPRESENTATIVE IN
CONGRESS
DISTRICT 2
(Vote for One)**

☐ Mark Mulligan REP

☐ Allen Boyd DEM

☐

Write-in

Destin Fire District
Commissioner
Precincts: 20, 35, 44,
49 & 50

**DESTIN FIRE
COMMISSIONER
Group 2
(Vote for One)**

☐ Kim Brown

☐ Len Lively

North Bay Fire District
Commissioner
Part of Precinct 26;
all of 40 & 46

**NORTH BAY FIRE
COMMISSIONER
Group 5
(Vote for One)**

☐ Jonathan P Kramer

☐ Jim Miller

☐ Richard A. Wride

House District 1
Precincts: all of 1, 2, 3, 4, 9;
part of 13 and 45

LEGISLATIVE

**STATE REPRESENTATIVE
DISTRICT 1
(Vote for One)**

☐ Greg Evers REP

☐

Write-in

North Bay Fire District
Commissioner
Part of Precinct 26;
all of 40 & 46

**NORTH BAY FIRE
COMMISSIONER
Group 1
(Vote for One)**

☐ Barry Reed

☐ Margaret M. Vining

North Okaloosa Fire
District Commissioner
Parts of Precincts 3, 6, 8, 9, 11,
12, 13, 45, 51 and 52

**NORTH OKALOOSA FIRE
COMMISSIONER
Group 5
(Vote for One)**

☐ Samuel A. Anderson

☐ Luann Cutler

House District 5
Precincts: 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12; part of 13, 14,
23, 26, 31; all of 34; part of 42, 45, 46,
47; all of 51 and 52.

**STATE REPRESENTATIVE
DISTRICT 5
(Vote for One)**

☐ Brad Drake REP

☐ John P. "Johnny Mac" McDaniel III DEM

North Bay Fire District
Commissioner
Part of Precinct 26;
all of 40 & 46

**NORTH BAY FIRE
COMMISSIONER
Group 3
(Vote for One)**

☐ William E. Schaal

☐ Lewis L. Williams

Bluewater Bay MSBU
Board of Directors
Part of 26; all of 40; part of 46

**BLUEWATER BAY MSBU
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Group 1
(Vote for One)**

☐ David Strunk

☐ James R. Watson

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SAMPLE

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS		North Okaloosa Fire District Referendum Parts of Precincts 3, 6, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 45, 51 and 52	
NO. 1 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE I, SECTION 2 Declaration of Rights Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to delete provisions authorizing the Legislature to regulate or prohibit the ownership, inheritance, disposition, and possession of real property by aliens ineligible for citizenship. <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	NO. 4 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE VII, SECTIONS 3 AND 4 ARTICLE XII, SECTION 28 Property Tax Exemption of Perpetually Conserved Land; Classification and Assessment of Land Used for Conservation Requires Legislature to provide a property tax exemption for real property encumbered by perpetual conservation easements or other perpetual conservation protections, defined by general law. Requires Legislature to provide for classification and assessment of land used for conservation purposes, and not perpetually encumbered, solely on the basis of character or use. Subjects assessment benefit to conditions, limitations, and reasonable definitions established by general law. Applies to property taxes beginning in 2010. <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	NORTH OKALOOSA FIRE DISTRICT SPECIAL REFERENDUM NORTH OKALOOSA FIRE DISTRICT (NOFD) AMENDMENT TO CHANGE THE WAY THE DISTRICT ASSESSES PROPERTY OWNERS Do you approve amending the NOFD charter to authorize levy and collection of millage (ad valorem) assessments not to exceed 3.75 mils on all taxable properties in the NOFD for the purposes of constructing, operating, and maintaining District fire and emergency services, manpower, facilities, and equipment with the understanding that setting the millage rate cap does not mean that the District will immediately implement the cap rate for millage? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	
NO. 2 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE I, NEW SECTION Florida Marriage Protection Amendment This amendment protects marriage as the legal union of only one man and one woman as husband and wife and provides that no other legal union that is treated as marriage or the substantial equivalent thereof shall be valid or recognized. The direct financial impact this amendment will have on state and local government revenues and expenditures cannot be determined, but is expected to be minor. <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	NO. 6 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE VII, SECTION 4 ARTICLE XII, NEW SECTION Assessment of Working Waterfront Property Based Upon Current Use Provides for assessment based upon use of land used predominantly for commercial fishing purposes; land used for vessel launches into waters that are navigable and accessible to the public; marinas and drystacks that are open to the public; and water-dependent marine manufacturing facilities, commercial fishing facilities, and marine vessel construction and repair facilities and their support activities, subject to conditions, limitations, and reasonable definitions specified by general law. <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	NOTE: The Constitutional Amendments appear on "Side 2" of every ballot. Please note that the North Okaloosa Fire District Referenda is placed after the Amendments in the precincts indicated above.	
NO. 3 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE VII, SECTIONS 3 AND 4 ARTICLE XII, NEW SECTION Changes and Improvements Not Affecting the Assessed Value of Residential Real Property Authorizes the Legislature, by general law, to prohibit consideration of changes or improvements to residential real property which increase resistance to wind damage and installation of renewable energy source devices as factors in assessing the property's value for ad valorem taxation purposes. Effective upon adoption, repeals the existing renewable energy source device exemption no longer in effect. <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	NO. 8 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE VII, SECTION 9 Local Option Community College Funding Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to require that the Legislature authorize counties to levy a local option sales tax to supplement community college funding; requiring voter approval to levy the tax; providing that approved taxes will sunset after 5 years and may be reauthorized by the voters. <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		

OTHER IMPORTANT VOTING INFORMATION



IDENTIFICATION

You will be asked for photo and signature ID (which may be on one ID) by the election official.

Approved forms of ID include:

- Florida Driver's License
- Military ID
- Current US Passport
- Debit or Credit Card
- Student ID
- ID Card issued by HSMV
- Neighborhood Association ID
- Public Assistance ID
- Retirement Center ID

If you do not bring any ID, you will be allowed to vote; however, you will be asked to vote a provisional ballot.



ADDRESS CHANGE?

If you have moved recently and have a new address other than the one in the poll register you will be asked to see the Clerk to determine if you are in the correct precinct. It is a third- degree felony to vote in a precinct you do not live in.

If you are asked to go to another precinct, you will be given a special form to take with you so the Clerk at the new precinct won't have to call the office. If you'd like to verify your address with our office before Election Day, just call or email us.



NEED ASSISTANCE AT THE POLLS?

Need assistance to vote? You can bring a friend or family member, but poll workers are all trained and qualified to assist as well.

All polling places are accessible to voters with special needs and new electronic machines are available for voters with disabilities to vote secretly and independently as well.

WHAT TO EXPECT AT THE POLLS ON ELECTION DAY



THE BAILIFF

I'm a special deputy who will greet you at the door and provide assistance when needed. I'll remind you to have your ID ready!



THE GREETER

I'm especially helpful to first-time voters, giving ballot demonstrations and answering most questions. I even have special ballots for the kids too!



BOOK INSPECTOR

I have the poll register with your name in it. I'll ask for your ID and check your signature before giving you a ballot ticket. I should never tell you that you can't vote!



BALLOT INSPECTOR

I take your ballot ticket and give you your ballot. I will say out loud which party ballot you're getting. Then I'll point your way to the voting booth.



THE TOUCH SCREEN

The law now requires each precinct to have a touch screen voting machine for voters with special needs. Each precinct has one poll worker just to run it.



VOTE!

Vote your secret ballot in the booth provided. ***If you make a mistake please ask for a new ballot!*** All done? Put your ballot in the folder and head for the Accu-Vote machine.



BALLOT BOX INSPECTOR

I stand near the ballot box to assist voters should a problem arise. If one does, I can always call the clerk!



NEED ASSISTANCE?

If you have any special needs that will make your voting experience easier and faster, just ask! There are plenty of friendly poll workers waiting to help!



THE CLERK

I'm in charge of the precinct. If you have any questions or need extra assistance, I'll be happy to help. There's no problem I can't solve!



SOLICITATION

Equally popular and unpopular, the law no longer allows any form of solicitation within 100 feet of your polling place.



THANK YOU!

After you slide your ballot into the top of the Accu-Vote tabulator you're finished! Don't leave without your "I Voted" sticker and wear it proudly!

OKALOOSA COUNTY POLLING PLACES

PCT #	PCT NAME	POLLING PLACE
1	Baker	Baker Area Recreation Assn. Bldg., Hwy 4, Baker
2	Blackman	Blackman Community Center, 7590 Hwy 189 N, Blackman
3	Milligan	North Okaloosa Fire District Station #3, 5241 Hwy 4, Milligan
4**	Holt	<i>First Baptist Church of Holt, 532 Hwy 90 W, Holt</i>
5	Laurel Hill	First Baptist Church of Laurel Hill, 3972 2nd Ave, Laurel Hill
6	Garden City	Auburn Pentecostal Ministries, 6144 Hwy 85 N, Crestview
7	Dorcas	Dorcas Baptist Church, Education Bldg, 5880 McCallum Rd, Dorcas
8	Honey Creek	Emmanuel Baptist Church, 3252 James Lee Blvd E, Crestview
9	Yellow River	Charles Walthall Bldg, 5479 Old Bethel Rd, Crestview
10	West Wright	The Covenant Community Church, 1007 Gospel Rd, Ft Walton Beach
11	East CV	First Assembly of God Church, 400 Ferdon Blvd S, Crestview
12	West CV	Carver Hill School, 461 School Ave W, Crestview
13	North CV	Woodlawn Baptist Church, 824 Ferdon Blvd N, Crestview
14	West NV	St. Jude's Episcopal Church, 200 Partin Dr N, Niceville
15	Valparaiso	Mitchell Center Community Room, 459 Valparaiso Pky, Valparaiso
16	Shalimar	Meigs Middle School, 150 Richbourg Ave, Shalimar
17****	Central Wright	<i>Wright Baptist Church, 795 Beal Pkwy N, Ft Walton Beach</i>
18	Ocean City	Westminster Presbyterian Church, 2 Woodham Ave, Ft Walton Beach
19	East FWB	Beulah First Baptist Church, 109 McGriff St, Ft Walton Beach
20	West Destin	Destin Community Center, 101 Stahlman Ave, Destin
21	Mary Esther	First Baptist Church, 28 North St, Mary Esther
22	S. Central FWB	Fred Hedrick Recreational Bldg, 132 Jet Dr, Ft Walton Beach
23***	Eglin	<i>West Gate Chapel, Eglin Blvd – Bldg 2574, Eglin AFB</i>
24	West FWB	FWB Shrine Club, 227 Carol Ave, Ft Walton Beach
25	N Central NV	Rosemont Baptist Church, 1601 27 th St, Niceville
26	Seminole	North Bay Baptist Church, 4681 Hwy 20 E, Niceville
27	Cinco Bayou	Cinco Bayou Town Hall, 10 Yacht Club Dr, Ft Walton Beach
28	Garniers	Cinco Bayou Town Hall, 10 Yacht Club Dr, Ft Walton Beach
29	Golf Course	Trinity United Methodist Church, 403 Racetrack Rd NW, Ft Walton Beach
30	Okaloosa Island	Elks Lodge, 1335 Miracle Strip Pky, Ft Walton Beach
31	Longwood	Bob Hope Village Welcome Center, 92 Sunset Lane, Shalimar
32	Ferry Park	The Church of Christ, 232 Hollywood Blvd SE, Ft Walton Beach
33	Rocky Bayou	First Presbyterian Church, 1800 John Sims Pky, Niceville
34	Florosa	St. Peter's Catholic Church, 100 Francis St., Mary Esther
35	North Destin	Destin United Methodist Church, 200 Beach Dr, Destin
36	South NV	Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church, 1200 Valparaiso Blvd, Niceville
37	Lake Lorraine	Shalimar Baptist Church, 17 4 th Ave, Shalimar
38	North Gate	Church of the Living God International, 716 Edge St, Ft Walton Beach
39	E Wright	Sons of Italy Bldg, 808 South Dr, Ft Walton Beach
40*	South Bluewater	<i>Christ Our Redeemer Catholic Church, 1028 White Point Rd, Niceville</i>
41	N Central FWB	Fred Hedrick Recreational Bldg, 132 Jet Dr, Ft Walton Beach
42	New Heights	Abundant Life Church, 233 Hill Ave N, Ft Walton Beach
43	S Central NV	First Baptist Church of Niceville, 622 Bayshore Dr, Niceville
44	Central Destin	Corpus Christi Catholic Church, 307 Beach Dr, Destin
45	South CV	St. Mark United Methodist Church, 2250 PJ Adams Pky, Crestview
46	North Bluewater	Bluewater Baptist Church, 4580 Range Rd, Niceville
47	Wynnehaven Bch	Florosa Baptist Church, 102 Church St., Mary Esther
48	Westwood	Westwood Retirement Resort, 1001 Mar Walt Dr NW, Ft Walton Beach
49	East Destin	Destin Middle School, 689 Regatta Bay Blvd, Destin
50	South Destin	Village Baptist Church, 101 Matthew Blvd, Destin
51	Airport Rd	Church of Christ-Airport Road, 2845 Airport Rd, Crestview
52	Live Oak	Live Oak Baptist Church, 4565 Live Oak Church Rd, Crestview

POLLS OPEN FROM 7 AM TO 7 PM

* indicates new polling place for Precinct 40 (formerly Bluewater Bay Elementary School)

** indicates new polling place for Precinct 4 (formerly Holt Community Center)

***indicates new polling place for Precinct 23 (formerly Eglin Elementary School)

****indicates new polling place for Precinct 17 (formerly Calvary Baptist Church)

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