

# BOCES Absentee Ballot Application

(for Referenda)

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This application may only be used by qualified voters who reside in Rockland County. If the application requests the absentee ballot be mailed, the application must be received by the district clerk not later than 7 days before the election for which the absentee ballot is sought. Otherwise, the application may be personally delivered to the district clerk not later than the day before the election. Applications may not be submitted more than 30 days prior to the election. If you are qualified for absentee voting and issued an absentee ballot, the ballot itself must be received by the school district clerk by 5 p.m. on the day of the election in order to be canvassed.

**I am requesting, in good faith, an absentee ballot due to (check one reason):**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Absence from county on election day  | <input type="checkbox"/> Resident or patient of Veterans Health Administration Hospital  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary illness or physical disability   | <input type="checkbox"/> Detention in jail/prison, awaiting trial, awaiting action by a grand jury, or in prison for conviction of a crime or offense which was not a felony |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent illness or physical disability   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Duties related to primary care of one or more individuals who are ill or physically disabled |  |

Last name or surname	First name	Middle initial	Suffix
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Date of birth ____/____/____	School district where you reside	Phone number (optional)	Email (optional)
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Address where you live (residence) street	Apt	City	State	Zip Code
<b>NY</b>				

**Delivery of School District Absentee Ballot (check one)**

- Deliver to me in person at office of school district clerk.
- I authorize (give name): \_\_\_\_\_ to pick up my ballot at the office of the school district clerk.
- Mail ballot to me at: (mailing address)

street no.      street name      apt.      city      state      zip code

**Applicant Must Sign Below**

I certify that I am a qualified and registered voter. I hereby declare that the foregoing is a true statement to the best of my knowledge and belief, and I understand that if I make any material false statement in the foregoing statement of application for absentee ballots, I shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature of Voter:** \_\_\_\_\_

If applicant is unable to sign because of illness, physical disability or inability to read, the following statement must be executed: By my mark, duly witnessed hereunder, I hereby state that I am unable to sign my application for an absentee ballot without assistance because I am unable to write by reason of my illness or physical disability or because I am unable to read. I have made, or have the assistance in making, my mark in lieu of my signature. (No power of attorney or preprinted name stamps allowed.)

Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Name of Voter: \_\_\_\_\_ Mark: \_\_\_\_\_

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the above named voter affixed his or her mark to this application in my presence and I know him or her to be the person who affixed his or her mark to said application and understand that this statement will be accepted for all purposes as the equivalent of an affidavit and if it contains a material false statement, shall subject me to the same penalties as if I had been duly sworn.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(address of witness to mark)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(signature of witness to mark)

## Instructions

### Who may use this application for a BOCES absentee ballot?

You may use this application if you are a qualified voter who resides in Rockland County. You may only apply for an absentee ballot on your own behalf.

### Who is a qualified voter?

You are qualified to vote in your school district if you are:

- a citizen of the United States;
- at least 18 years of age; and
- a resident of Rockland County for a period of at least 30 days preceding the meeting or election at which you seek to vote.

No person shall have the right to register for or vote at any BOCES Referendum who would not be qualified to register for or vote at an election in accordance with the provisions of Election Law §5-106.

### Information for military voters:

Do **not** use this application if you are:

- a qualified voter who will be absent from your school district on the day of the election as a result of actual military service;
- a qualified voter who has been discharged from actual military service within 30 days of the election in which you seek to vote; or
- the spouse, parent, child, or dependent of a military voter as set forth above who is accompanying such military voter and who is qualified to vote in the same school district as the military voter.

If you meet any of the above criteria, you are entitled to special provisions if you apply for a military ballot. Please contact your school district to receive the appropriate application form.

### Information for voters with an illness or disability:

If you check the box indicating your illness or disability is permanent, and you are identified as a permanently disabled voter by the county board of elections, you should have automatically received a ballot without having to apply again. If you have not received your ballot, please reach out to the District Clerk.

### Where and when to return this application:

If you request that the absentee ballot be mailed to you, your application must be received by the district clerk for your school district no later than 7 days before the election for which you seek an absentee ballot. Otherwise, you may personally deliver your application to the district clerk no later than the day before the election. You may not submit your application more than 30 days prior to the election.

### When your absentee ballot will be sent to you:

If you request that the absentee ballot be mailed to you, the district clerk will mail your ballot by regular mail no later than 6 days prior to the election. Otherwise, the district clerk will deliver your ballot to you or your agent, as designated on your application, when you or your agent appears in the district clerk's office.

For your ballot to be canvassed, it must be received by the school district clerk by 5 p.m. on the day of the election.