Due to Executive Order 2020-27, the May 5, 2020 Special Election will be held primarily by mail. This change affects the following School Districts in Ottawa County:

- Grand Haven Area Public Schools
- Hudsonville Public Schools
- Kenowa Hills Public Schools

**Voting by Mail (Absent Voter Ballot)**

To reduce face to face contact, voters are strongly encouraged to vote by mail for the May 5, 2020 Special Election. On March 31, 2020 all eligible voters were mailed an absentee ballot application along with a letter explaining how to vote by mail. Voters who register after March 31st will automatically be issued a ballot.

1. **Sign your application**
   - Sign and return your application in the included pre-paid envelope

2. **Receive your ballot**
   - You will have a ballot mailed directly to you

3. **Vote your ballot**
   - Fill in your ballot - make sure to check both sides

4. **Return your ballot**
   - Return your ballot by mail in the included pre-paid envelope

**Voter Registration**

Any voter registration form submitted between March 27, 2020 to May 5, 2020 will also serve as an absent voter ballot application. You will only be issued a ballot if your city or township has an election on May 5th.

**Voter Registration after April 20, 2020**

Any person who registers to vote within 14 days of the election must provide proof of residency. A copy of a proof of residency document can be submitted via email to your city or township clerk or via mail to your local clerk’s office.

**In-Person Services**

Although election services are deemed essential, many public offices are closed to the public or by appointment only. Please contact your city or township clerk before visiting their office. Many election services can be completed online, via email, or by mail. Contact information can be found at www.miottawa.org/elections under “Local Clerk Information”

**Voting on Election Day**

In person voting options are available if necessary. Any voter who must vote in-person should contact their city or township clerk to verify their polling place before going to their precinct.

For more information from the Ottawa County Clerk’s Office visit

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