

On **Tuesday**, **June 23**, a Republican primary will be held to choose an opponent to run against U. S. Senator Mark Warner, the Democratic candidate, in the November election. **There is no Democratic primary** in Montgomery or Floyd counties or Radford.

Any registered voter can vote in the primary as Virginia does not register people by political party. Republican Senate candidates are Daniel Gade, Thomas Speciale and Alissa Baldwin.

Absentee ballots: All voters are encouraged to vote by absentee ballot due to the coronavirus. You can apply for an absentee ballot online at **elections.virginia.gov** IF you have a valid Virginia driver's license. If you do not have a driver's license, you can download a paper application from that site or call your local registrar for an application. **The deadline to apply for an absentee ballot is June 16.** You must state a reason for voting by absentee ballot for the June primary. Choose reason "2A My disability or illness" due to COVID-19. The Registrar must receive your ballot by Election Day.

Thanks to the League of Women Voters of Virginia, you will NOT need to find a witness to sign your absentee ballot. A court ruling canceling the need for a witness was sought by the League of Women Voters to protect voters' health. This ruling applies ONLY to the June primary. A legal ruling has not yet been issued for the November election.

Voter registration: May 26 is the deadline to register to vote or update your information for the primary. After advocacy by the League of Women Voters, the state extended voter registration by eight days. In person voting at your Registrar's Office ends on Saturday, June 20t. The polls will be open on June 23 throughout Montgomery County, Floyd County and Radford. Check your polling place at elections.virginia.gov.

Registrar Offices

Montgomery County	540.382.5741	755 Roanoke St Ste 1F, Christiansburg 24073
Radford City	540.267.3156	619 2nd St Rm 143, Radford 24141-1456
Floyd County	540.745.9350	100 E Main St Rm 302, Floyd 24091-2101

Check our League's website lwvmcva.org for the latest election guidelines.

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