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Secretary of State Provides Information Regarding Absentee Voting and Trusted Sources for Election Information

(Pierre, S.D.) – Ahead of South Dakota’s Primary Election which will be held on Tuesday, June 4, 2024, Secretary Monae L Johnson urges voters to confirm the sources of election information they are receiving. The secretary’s office is encouraging South Dakotans to look to the South Dakota Secretary of State’s office and county auditors for trusted election information.

Absentee voting is already taking place in county auditor’s offices across the state. For those who intend to vote absentee, the deadline to request a ballot is 5:00 pm local time on Monday, June 3, 2024. You may also drop off your absentee ballot in-person at your county auditor’s office.

All absentee ballots must be delivered to the county auditors by the time that polls close on election day in order to be counted. Remember to allow for adequate mail processing time when returning your absentee ballot to your county auditor’s office by mail. If an absentee ballot is received after that time, it may not be opened or counted, regardless of when it was mailed.

Voters may verify their voter registration information, polling place location, whether they have already requested an absentee ballot, and check the status of their absentee ballot by contacting their county auditor or searching the Voter Information Portal (**VIP**) on the Secretary of State’s website: <https://vip.sdsos.gov/VIPLogin.aspx>. More information on absentee voting can be found at <https://sdsos.gov/elections-voting/voting/absentee-voting.aspx>.

Secretary Johnson and the county auditors stand united in ensuring that elections are conducted transparently and securely in South Dakota. South Dakotans can be assured elections in the state are some of the safest and most secure in the country. The South Dakota Secretary of State’s Office, along with local election officials, are continuously working to inform Americans about the elections process, including voter registration, state election laws, polling place locations, post-election processes and much more.