

**2022**

**Stand Up Alaska**

**VOTER  
GUIDE**

**VOTE BY NOV. 8th**

Your private ballot means it's all yours to decide. This independent, locally prepared information is to help you understand the issues.

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## ABOUT US

Stand Up Alaska is a diverse group of Alaskans coming together to **increase community awareness, promote social justice, support Indigenous rights, protect our environment, and continue the advancement of racial equality.**



“If you want to go fast,  
go alone.  
If you want to go far,  
go together.”

- African Proverb



# RANKED CHOICE VOTING

## *Do you understand how ranked voting works?*

In the 2020 general election, voters approved an initiative to establish a Ranked Choice Voting general election system. Ranked Choice Voting allows voters to rank candidates in order of preference.

### How does Ranked Choice Voting work?

In each race, voters will rank their choices in order of preference. Votes are counted in rounds.

**Round One:** The Division counts all 1st choices. If a candidate gets 50% + 1 vote in round one, that candidate wins and the counting stops. If not, counting goes to Round Two.

**Round Two (and beyond):** The candidate with the fewest votes gets eliminated. If you voted for that candidate, your vote goes to your next choice and you still have a say in who wins. If your first choice candidate was not eliminated, your vote stays with them. Votes are counted again. This keeps happening in rounds until two candidates are left and the one with the most votes wins.

### Frequently Asked Questions:

#### **What happens if I only vote for one candidate?**

Your vote is counted in round one and your vote stays with your candidate throughout tabulation.

#### **Is there a benefit of ranking multiple choices?**

Yes. By ranking multiple candidates, you can still have a voice in who gets elected even if your top choice does not win. Ranking multiple candidates ensures your vote will go toward your second, third, fourth, or fifth choice if your top choice is eliminated, giving you more voice in who wins.

#### **How do I mark my ballot in a Ranked Choice Voting election?**

Fill in only one oval per candidate, in each column. **You do not have to rank all the candidates.**

Your second choice is only counted if your first choice candidate is eliminated.

For more information visit: [elections.alaska.gov/RCV.php](https://elections.alaska.gov/RCV.php)

*Source: Alaska Division of Elections website*

# RANKED CHOICE VOTING

- Vote by ranking candidates of your choice.
- Rank as many or as few candidates as you like
- Completely fill in no more than one oval for each candidate or column
- For your 1st choice, fill in the oval in the 1st choice column
- For your 2nd choice, fill in the oval in the 2nd choice column, and so on



State Representative District 1					
	1st Choice	2nd Choice	3rd Choice	4th Choice	5th Choice
Larry Doe (Registered Democrat)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mac Allen (Registered Republican)	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Edna Mode (Undeclared)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Tiffany Strait (Nonpartisan)	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Write-In:	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

## Mistakes to Avoid

- ✗ 1. If you skip a ranking, your next ranking moves up. If your first choice candidate is eliminated, your third choice counts as your second choice and your fourth choice would count as your third choice.
- ✗ 2. If you skip two or more rankings in a row, only the rankings before the skipped rankings will count. Your first choice counts and the fourth choice would not count.
- ✗ 3. If you give more than one candidate the same ranking, those rankings and later rankings will not count. Only your first choice counts.
- ✗ 4. Your vote only counts once, even if you rank a candidate more than once. When a candidate is eliminated in a round, they are eliminated from all future rounds.

## An analogy to consider...

*Say you are going to get dinner (elected official). You have a choice of dinner and you need to decide which type of food you would prefer to eat (serve in office). Your choices: Pizza, Cheeseburger, Tacos, and Thai food (candidates). Rank them in order of which you would want to eat. The fewer choices you rank, the less your preferences will be taken into consideration. Voting in Alaska is no longer a win-or-lose process. If your first-place candidate doesn't win, your vote goes to your second choice and so on.*

**Source: Alaska Division of Elections website**

# B ALLOT MEASURE I: Constitutional Convention

*Should there be a constitutional convention?*

This measure asks voters to say whether there should be a constitutional convention in Alaska. A constitutional convention is a gathering where delegates propose amendments and changes to the state constitution

## A NO VOTE MEANS...

The current Alaska constitution will be protected.



## A YES VOTE MEANS...

A constitutional convention would be held and the state constitution may be amended or revised, subject to approval by voters. Rights guaranteed by the Alaskan constitution could be at risk, should this measure pass and a constitutional convention be allowed.



### Rights protected by the current constitution include:

**Right to Privacy** The right of the people to privacy is recognized and shall not be infringed. Reproductive rights are fundamental, and are encompassed within the right to privacy expressed in article I, section 22 of the Alaska Constitution. These fundamental reproductive rights include the right to an abortion."

### Protection from Corporate Exploitation

- It is the policy of the State to encourage the settlement of its land and the development of its resources by making them available for maximum use consistent with the public interest.
- The legislature shall provide for the utilization, development, and conservation of all natural resources belonging to the State, including land and waters, for the maximum benefit of its people.
- Wherever occurring in their natural state, fish, wildlife, and waters are reserved to the people for common use.

**Separation of Church & State/ Education Rights** - The legislature shall establish and maintain a system of public schools open to all children of the State, and may provide for other public educational institutions. Schools and institutions shall be free from sectarian control. No money shall be paid from public funds for the direct benefit of any religious or other private educational institution.

**who says YES** - Jim Minnery - President of the Anti-Abortion Alaska Family Council  
**who says NO** - Bruce Botelho - Former Attorney General of Alaska

# GOVERNOR, AK



## Which candidate supports...

**Les Gara**  
(D)

**Bill Walker**  
(N)

**Mike Dunleavy**  
(R)

*Protecting abortion access*

Yes

Unclear

No

*The Pebble Mine Project*

No

No

Yes

*Constitutional Convention*

No

No

Yes

*Eliminating oil industry tax credits*

Yes

No

No

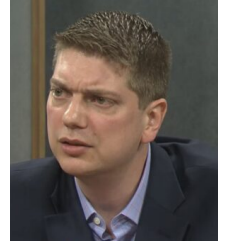
*Addressing Climate Change*

Yes

Yes

No

# US REPRESENTATIVE, AK



**Which candidate supports...**

**Mary Peltola**  
(D)

**Sarah Palin**  
(R)

**Nick Begich**  
(R)

*Protecting abortion access on Federal level*

Yes

No

No

*The Pebble Mine Project*

No

Yes

Yes

*Constitutional Convention*

No

Yes

Unclear

*Ranked Choice Voting*

Yes

No

No

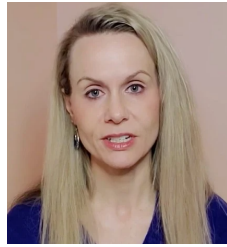
*Addressing Climate Change*

Yes

No

No

# US SENATOR, AK



**Which candidate supports...**

**Patricia Chesbro**  
(D)

**Kelly Tshibaka**  
(R)

**Lisa Murkowski**  
(R)

*Protecting abortion access on Federal level*

Yes

No

Yes

*The Pebble Mine Project*

No

Unclear

No

*Constitutional Convention*

No

Yes

No

*Ranked Choice Voting*

Yes

No

Yes

*Addressing Climate Change*

Yes

No

Yes



# HOW TO VOTE

## VOTE IN PERSON

When entering your polling place, the election worker will ask you for a piece of identification. Any of the following documents may be used for identification:

- signed voter ID card
- driver's license
- state ID card or military ID card
- passport, hunting or fishing license
- other current or valid photo identification



You may also present one of the following forms of identification if it includes your name and current address

- current utility bill or pay check
- government check or bank statement

## WHERE TO VOTE

Visit the Alaska Division of Elections web page and use the tool to find your local polling location.

[elections.alaska.gov/avo](https://elections.alaska.gov/avo)

## VOTE BY MAIL!

Any registered Alaska voter may apply for an absentee ballot and vote by mail. Mail, fax, email, or hand-deliver the completed form to the Alaska Division of Elections. Find the absentee ballot application here:

[absenteeballotapplication.alaska.gov/](https://absenteeballotapplication.alaska.gov/)

# HOW TO VOTE *(Continued)*

Your absentee by-mail ballot **application** must be submitted by **October 29**

## VOTING BY MAIL *(Continued)*

Your absentee ballot should arrive within a week. If it doesn't, contact the Alaska Division of Elections to follow up, or to resubmit your application if necessary. Once you receive the ballot, carefully read and follow the instructions.

Mail your completed ballot back to the address indicated on the return envelope.

Use the online absentee ballot tracker to check the status of your absentee ballot or application.

[myvoterinformation.alaska.gov/](https://myvoterinformation.alaska.gov/)

## DON'T FORGET TO:

- Add an identifier (last 4 SSN, DOB, driver license number)
- Get a witness signature
- Use proper postage or in-person drop box
- Postmark or drop off absentee ballot before Nov 8th. (The earlier, the better!)

## VOTE EARLY

Beginning October 24th and continuing through election day, voters may vote early:

**In person** at Regional Elections Office in the jurisdiction where the voter is registered. Regional offices are located in Juneau, Anchorage, Wasilla, Fairbanks, and Nome.

**Drop Box:** Dropping off your absentee ballot in an **Election Drop Box** at any regional Elections Office or absentee voting location.

[elections.alaska.gov/Core/AKVVoteEarly.php](https://elections.alaska.gov/Core/AKVVoteEarly.php)

# Anchorage Early Vote and In-Person Voting Locations

## Anchorage Division Of Elections

### Region II Elections Office

**Phone: (907) 522-8683**

Toll-Free: (866) 958-8683 (Within the U.S.)

**email: [electionsr2a@alaska.gov](mailto:electionsr2a@alaska.gov)**

#### **PHYSICAL & MAILING ADDRESS**

2525 Gambell Street, Suite 100  
Anchorage, AK 99503

**Regional Supervisor : Julie Husmann**

**Email: [julie.husmann@alaska.gov](mailto:julie.husmann@alaska.gov)**

**Monday - Friday**

Oct 24 - Nov 7

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

**Saturdays**

Oct 29 & Nov 5

10:00 am - 4:00 pm

**Sundays**

Oct 30 & Nov 6

12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

**Tuesday Election**

Day Nov 8

7:00 am - 8:00 pm

## Ted Stevens Int'l Airport

**First Floor** (Level one from the parking garage through the double doors to the right)

**Tuesday Election**

Day Nov 8

7:00 am - 8:00 pm

## UAA Student Union

2921 Spirit Drive

**Tuesday Election**

Day Nov 8

7:00 am - 8:00 pm

## Anchorage City Hall

Early Vote Location

632 W. 6th Ave

**Monday - Friday**

Oct 24 - Nov 7

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

**Tuesday Election**

Day Nov 8

7:00 am - 8:00 pm

## Cook Inlet Tribal Council

3600 San Jeronimo Dr.

**Monday - Friday**

Nov 1 - Nov 7

7:00 am - 4:30 pm



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S'Up Alaska! We are standing up for social, racial, environmental and economic justice in the great state of Alaska.

# FIND OUT MORE

This independent voter guide is designed to give you the quickest, most important information about your ballot and why it's important to vote. There is a lot more information out there. Check out the Stand Up Alaska Facebook page or visit this QR code link:

<https://www.facebook.com/AKstand/>



If you're passionate about these issues, you have to get involved to make an impact. Volunteer with us and help get the vote out to our young and not so politically-involved friends.

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