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Early voting to start next week in Nebraska

LINCOLN – Ballots for the general election will be in the hands of some Nebraska voters as early as next week. Secretary of State John Gale says county election officials will begin mailing ballots to early voters starting on Monday, September 29.

“Those will be sent to people who have already completed early voting ballot requests,” explained Gale. “Then five days later, starting October 4, Nebraskans will be able to show up at their county election office and vote there.”

Early voting was a popular option among voters during the 2012 presidential election. Twenty-six percent of registered voters in Nebraska cast their ballots early.

“We experienced a real surge in 2012 for early voting. We hope it will be equally strong in the upcoming general election. Certainly, casting a ballot early is a convenience for a lot of people who, for whatever reason, can’t get to the polls on Election Day.”

October 17 marks another key deadline for Nebraska voters. Any registrations sent in by mail must be postmarked by that day. Also, that’s the last day voter registrations can be completed at Department of Motor Vehicle offices, county treasurer offices, state agencies or departments.

Any Nebraska resident needing to complete or update their voter registration can go to the Secretary of State's website at www.sos.ne.gov. Voter forms are located under the "Elections" tab. That is the same place where voters can request an early voting form be mailed to them. Forms are in both English and Spanish.

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