Alaska will have two statewide elections in 2022:

- **Special election** to fill the U.S. House seat vacancy created by the death of Congressman Don Young (until January 3, 2023).
- **General election** for US Senate, US House of Representatives, Governor, Alaska Senate, and Alaska House of Representatives for the next terms.

**BOTH ELECTIONS WILL USE THE NEW VOTING SYSTEM:**

1. An open, nonpartisan primary where all candidates, regardless of party affiliation, appear on a single ballot and voters choose one candidate. The top four vote-getters move on to the general election.

2. A general election where voters rank the candidates according to preference. To win, a candidate must receive a majority of votes (50% + 1). If no candidate receives a majority of first choice votes, the last place candidate is eliminated, and their supporters’ second-choice votes are counted. The process repeats until a majority winner is declared.

**ELECTION TIMING AND FORMAT:**

**JUNE 11:** Special Primary (choose one candidate) by mail-in ballot.

Ballots will be sent, starting in late April, to registered voters. Voters must be registered by May 12 to participate and can check their registration status here. The ballot must be signed, witnessed, and postmarked by election day. Some early and in-person voting locations will be available in the days leading up to election day; dates, times, and locations will be listed here when finalized.

**AUGUST 16:** The Special Election (Ranked Choice) will be held concurrently with the regular, in-person Primary Election (choose one candidate).

Early and in-person voting locations will be available; dates, times, and locations will be listed here when finalized. Absentee ballots can be requested as usual. For the special election, only first-choice results will be available on election day; ranked choice voting results will be available after all the ballots are received and processed (15 days after election day).

**NOVEMBER 8:** Regular, in-person General Election (Ranked Choice).

Early and in-person voting locations will be available; dates, times, and locations will be listed here when finalized. Absentee ballots can be requested as usual. Only first-choice results will be available on election day; ranked choice voting results will be available after all the ballots are received and processed (15 days after election day).

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**ALASKA 2022 STATEWIDE ELECTIONS TIMELINE**

**Important Election Dates and Links**

**SPECIAL PRIMARY**
- **APRIL 27**
  Division of Elections mails ballots to all registered voters.
- **MAY 12**
  Voter registration deadline.
- **MAY 27**
  Absentee in-person voting starts. Check the Division of Elections website for locations and times.
- **JUNE 1**
  Candidate filing deadline for the regular primary.
- **JUNE 11**
  **ELECTION DAY**
  Mail-in ballots must be postmarked by today.

**SPECIAL ELECTION & REGULAR PRIMARY**
- **JULY 17**
  Voter registration deadline.
- **AUGUST 6**
  Last day to request an absentee ballot.
- **AUGUST 16**
  **ELECTION DAY**
  Absentee ballots must be postmarked by today.
- **AUGUST 31**
  Deadline for ballots that were postmarked by Election Day to be received; ranked choice voting results will be available after the ballots are processed.

**GENERAL ELECTION**
- **OCTOBER 9**
  Voter registration deadline.
- **OCTOBER 29**
  Last day to request an absentee ballot.
- **NOVEMBER 8**
  **ELECTION DAY**
  Absentee ballots must be postmarked by today.
- **NOVEMBER 23**
  Deadline for ballots that were postmarked by Election Day to be received; ranked choice voting results will be available after the ballots are processed.

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