

## **Montgomery County Board of Elections accepting public comments regarding Early Voting Centers for the 2020 Presidential Elections**

The Montgomery County Board of Elections seeks comments from the public about the Early Voting Centers for the upcoming 2020 presidential election.

Each local Board of Elections in the State of Maryland is required to review its list of early voting sites every two years and make recommendations to the State Board of Elections. Unless a compelling reason is presented regarding why the Board should select a different site, the Montgomery County Board is considering using the same early voting sites where voters cast ballots in the 2018 gubernatorial election, except that the Wheaton location would be the new Wheaton Community Recreation Center. The Board is also considering whether to open a 12th site and is seeking public input prior to making its final recommendations, which are due at the end of September.

Under state law, early voting in Maryland runs from Thursday to Thursday, ending the Thursday before the election. The Board meeting will take place at 2:30 p.m. on Monday, September 16 at the Montgomery County Board of Elections office located at 18752 N. Frederick Avenue, Suite 212, Gaithersburg, MD 20879.

Written comments may be sent to [elections@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:elections@montgomerycountymd.gov) until 11 a.m. on Monday, September 16, 2019. Speakers are encouraged to sign up in advance by contacting Lisa Merino at 240-777-8562 by 4 p.m. Friday, September 13, 2019. Persons who have not signed up in advance may be heard at the discretion of the Board.

Maps and information of all sites being considered will be available on the Board of Elections website at [www.777vote.org](http://www.777vote.org).

If persons with disabilities need services or aides to participate in any Board of Elections activity, please call 240-777-8562 five days in advance.

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