

voting instructions

vote!

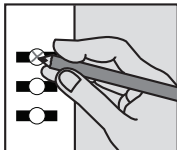
Beginning in 2006, Cook County voters will no longer use punch cards to cast ballots. At the polling place, each voter will choose to vote an optical scan or touch screen ballot.

Touch screen: Similar to an ATM machine, voters make selections by touching the names of candidates on a computer screen. The machine displays a paper record of the selections for the voter to verify before the ballot is cast. (See instructions on reverse side.)

Optical scan: Similar to a standardized test, voters make selections by marking circles directly on the ballot next to the names of candidates. After voting, the voter places the ballot into a machine that scans it for errors before storing it in a secure ballot box. (See instructions below.)

optical scan voting instructions

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Make a bold 'X' or fill in the circle next to your selection.

! Be careful when marking your ballot. If you mark outside the circle, your vote may not count.

Acceptable ballot markings:



! You do not have to vote for every race.

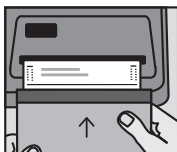
To vote for a write-in candidate, write the name on the line provided and mark the corresponding circle.

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After voting, place the ballot underneath the security shield.

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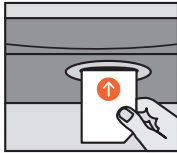


Insert your ballot into the optical scan machine. Your ballot will eject if the machine detects an overvote or other error.

! If you make a mistake or change your mind, ask an election official for a new ballot.

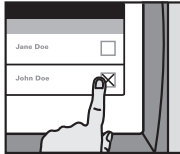
touch-screen voting instructions

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Insert card all the way into yellow slot until it 'clicks.'
Card remains inside until you finish voting.

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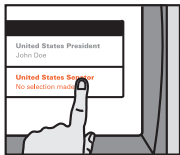
Select language and begin voting.

- To vote, press candidate name.
- To make a change, press the mark of your initial choice and make a new selection.
- To go to next screen, press 'continue.'
- To go back to previous screen, press 'go back.'

To vote for a write-in candidate, press 'write-in.'
A keyboard will appear.

- Type a name.
- When finished, press 'OK.'

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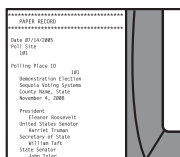


After the last page of the ballot, a Review Screen will appear.

Skipped contests will appear in red.

- To make a change, press the desired contest.
- When finished, press 'continue' until you reach the Review Screen.

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Print paper record of your ballot.

After you review your paper record, press 'cast ballot' to finish voting. Your paper record will remain secret and secure inside the sealed printer. Your activation card will eject.

! Return card to election official.



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