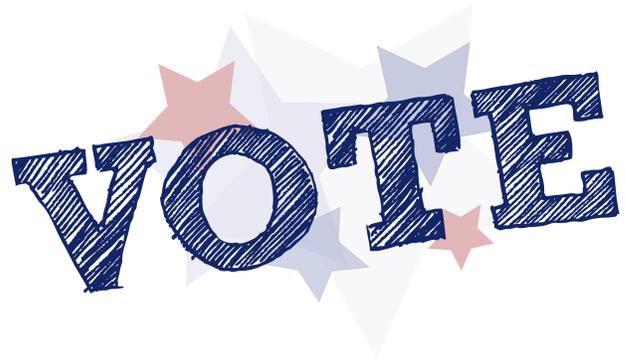


2014 GENERAL ELECTION AT A GLANCE



OVERVIEW

All 10 congressional seats in Washington are up this year, including the wide-open 4th District, where Republican Doc Hastings is retiring after 20 years. All of our state's other congressional incumbents are running again. All 98 state House seats and 25 of the 49 state Senate seats are up for election. Three of the state Supreme Court justices – Mary Fairhurst, Charles Johnson and Debra Stephens -- face re-election. There also is a special election to fill the unexpired term of recently retired Supreme Court Justice Jim Johnson. Mary Yu holds the seat by appointment. There are 12 Court of Appeals positions and 13 Superior Court seats on the ballot this year. In addition, many local races are on the ballot throughout the state.

KEY DATES

- September 20** Military and overseas ballots mailed
- October 6** Deadline for online or mail-in voter registrations and updates
- October 13** State Voters' Pamphlets begin arriving
- October 17** Counties start mailing General Election ballots to voters
- October 27** Voter registration deadline (for persons currently not registered) to vote in General Election (register in person at your county elections office)
- November 4** General Election ballot return dead line (ballots must be postmarked no later than Election Day or placed in an official ballot drop box by 8 p.m. on Election Night)

STATEWIDE BALLOT MEASURES

There are three initiatives to the people on the ballot, as well as two nonbinding Advisory Votes, which don't change state law but do allow voters to state their opinion on tax increases approved by the Legislature earlier this year.

Initiative 1351 would lower class sizes in public schools.

Initiative 591 would prohibit government agencies from requiring background checks on firearm recipients unless a uniform national standard is required.

Initiative 594 would require universal background checks on gun purchases.

Advisory Vote No. 8 (Senate Bill 6505) concerns eliminating the agricultural tax preferences for various aspects of the marijuana industry.

Advisory Vote No. 9 (Engrossed Substitute House Bill 1287) concerns imposing the leasehold excise tax on certain leasehold interests in tribal property.

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