

At Jefferson County Elections, security shares the top priority with privacy, accuracy, transparency and verifiability. We are committed to providing secure elections. How do we accomplish that? Consider these facts:



## Ballots

- All votes cast use verifiable paper ballots – NO electronic voting.
- Voters can track ballots from printing, to delivery, to received and accepted.
- A tracking number appears on original and return envelopes – ballots are anonymous. Return envelopes are security envelopes.
- All ballots are kept for 25 months after an election.



## Ballot Boxes

- All Ballot Boxes are under 24/7 surveillance, 90 days surrounding the Election, and footage is kept for 25 months after the election.
- Ballots are transported by bi-partisan teams. Teams are sent with a log and seals which are database verified when the bags are received in Elections.



## Verifying Voter ID

- ID is required for both in-person voting. If you did not provide ID when registering, you must submit a copy with your mail ballot.
- Mail Ballots require a verified signature.
- Ballot signature is compared to previous signatures on file in voter record.
- Bi-partisan teams review signatures that are rejected.
- Voters whose signatures cannot be verified are sent notification, and the ballot is not counted until the signature has been verified/cured.



## Voting Equipment

- None of the tabulation equipment is connected to the internet, **EVER!**
- Multi-factor authentication required to access voter registration database.
- All equipment is kept in secured locations.
- The only part of ballot processing connected to the internet is the restricted computer used to upload results to the Election Night Reporting website.



## Secure Access

- All employees and election judges must badge into the election's office and processing center.
- Each stage of the elections process has a dedicated space in our facility and is limited by badge access.
- Each area is on surveillance 24/7, 90 days surrounding the Election, and footage is kept for 25 months after the election.
- All visitors sign in to our visitor log, wear an "Authorized Visitor" lanyard, and must be accompanied by an election's team member.



## Election Judges

- Background checks are performed on election judges.
- Judges must complete mandatory training.
- Judges work in bi-partisan teams. All judges, team members and staff must always wear a party-identifying lanyard.



## CANVASS BOARD



The County Democratic and Republican parties appoint two individuals, the Canvass Board, to test our processes and accuracy before and after the election.

## Logic and Accuracy Test (LAT)

- About a month prior to the election LAT is conducted.
- Each Canvass Board member completes a number of ballots and separately records their number of votes for each contest. These ballots along with a number of our own test ballots are run through the scanning, adjudication and tabulation processes.
- Results from our equipment are compared to the Canvass Board's hand-tally.

## Risk-Limiting Audit (RLA)

- After the election, the Secretary of State's office provides us with a list of randomly selected ballots.
- The Canvass Board compare the marking on the ballots to the results reported by our system.

100% match rate in 2017 Coordinated and 2018 Primary Elections!

## Canvass

- After the Election and RLA, the Canvass Board reconvenes to review and balance all reports and ensures result totals are accurate. The Canvass Board certifies the Election.