

First Election in 2022 Is April 5 for Town of Dakota Residents

What's on the Ballot; Absentee Voting Reminders

Since the Town of Dakota has no need for a Spring Primary in February (see separate post for more information), the **first election of 2022 will take place on April 5**, with polls open that day from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. as usual.

April Ballot Contests

The Spring Election will feature the following contests: Court of Appeals Judge District 4, Circuit Court Judge Branch 2 (an additional position), County Board Supervisor District 7, and—depending on where you live—either Wautoma Area School District School Board Member or School District of Westfield School Board Member.

Absentee Voting in 2022

For those planning to vote absentee at any or all elections in 2022: Remember that only those who are indefinitely confined due to age, illness or infirmity automatically receive absentee ballots from year to year. If you are NOT indefinitely confined and wish to vote absentee, you must make this request sometime after January 1 each year. You can ask to receive ballots for the entire calendar year, or for specific election(s).

You can submit your absentee ballot request in a few ways, with the easiest being through the My Vote Wisconsin website at <https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/VoteAbsentee>. Please note that if you haven't previously voted absentee in the Town of Dakota, you may have to upload an image of your photo ID.

If you make a request to vote absentee by mail in the April Election, ballots won't begin being mailed until approximately March 15. In-person absentee voting can take place between March 22 and April 1, and is available **by appointment only**.

If you have any questions, email Town Clerk Melanie Stake at dakotatownhall@outlook.com, or call 920-787-4875.