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Bowie County Elections Best Practices Action Plan

Re: COVID-19 Best Practices
revised October 12, 2021

To help minimize the risk of exposure for the Election workers and voters of Bowie County, the Bowie County Election Office team provides the following Best Practices Action Plan. It will be effective Tuesday, October 12, 2021, and continue until modified or rescinded.

Best Practices Action Plan for Elections

1. **Required identification, voting procedures and voter registration policies will apply. This will not change.**
2. Each election worker will be provided with protective equipment that are can be worn during polling hours. Election workers are encouraged to wash their hands frequently. Election workers are encouraged to wear a mask when they are in the voting location.
3. While the State of Texas mandates that we cannot compel a voter to wear a mask, but we can strongly encourage voters to protect themselves by wearing a mask. Voters presenting symptoms of sickness may, at the discretion of the Presiding Judge, may be taken to the front of the line to usher them through the voting process as quickly as possible.
4. Hand sanitizer will be provided for both, the voter and the election staff all polling locations.
5. There will be a limited number of handouts. (Sample ballots only)
6. Disinfecting supplies will be provided, and machines/polling booths should be cleaned often during the day.
7. All election staff and voters will be encouraged to maintain social distance between each person(s) during polling hours.
8. Early Voting and Provisional Ballot Board procedures will be supplied directly to the board and will closely mirror the above requirements.

Please feel free to contact us with any further questions or concerns.

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