

Absentee Ballot Application

Presidential General Election, November 4, 2008

Under penalties pursuant to Section 29-10 (perjury) of the Illinois Election Code, I affirm that all of the statements on this application are true and correct. I am applying for an absentee ballot, which I will mail to the Cook County Clerk's office before Election Day, unless I vote my ballot at the Cook County Clerk's office. **Under state law, ballots postmarked before Election Day will be counted if received no later than 14 days after Election Day.**

1 Please print applicant's name and complete voting address.

name _____ address _____
 village/city _____ zip code _____ township _____
 precinct # _____ ward # (Berwyn and Evanston townships only) _____

2 Please sign and print name and complete address where the ballot should be mailed.

full name _____
 address _____
 village/city _____
 state _____ zip code _____
 phone number _____
 email address _____

applicant signature

3 Check the appropriate category by which you are requesting an absentee ballot.

- I expect to be absent from Cook County.
- I expect to be absent from the country.
- I am observing a religious holiday.
- I am incarcerated as a pre-trial detainee and not serving a sentence following a conviction.
- I am serving as an election official for an election authority or law enforcement agency _____ agency _____ location _____
- I am serving as an election judge outside my precinct in _____ township _____ precinct _____ ward _____
- I am a student attending college and temporarily residing in _____ village/city _____ county _____ state _____
- I am physically handicapped _____ reason _____
- I am registered to vote at a nursing home or other care facility _____ reason or disabled voter ID number _____
- I am serving as a juror.
- I am a grace-period registrant.
- I cannot legally enter my polling place because it is in a school.

4 Check if requesting an absentee ballot in a language other than English.

- Spanish Chinese

! Help prevent vote fraud

Making a false statement to obtain an absentee ballot or soliciting someone to do so is considered vote fraud, a criminal offense that is punishable by up to five years in prison. Call 312 603 0909 to report vote fraud.

i To vote absentee by mail, this completed form must be received by **Thursday, October 30, 2008** by the Cook County Clerk's Office: 69 W. Washington St., Room 500, Chicago, IL 60602

For more information about absentee voting, visit the Clerk's election website www.voterinfonet.com, or call 312 603 0944.