

Early Voting Is Underway: Where and When to Vote in Rockdale and Newton Counties

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Early voting for the November 3 General and Special Election began Tuesday, October 13, and runs through Friday, October 30. During early voting, you can vote at any early voting location in your county, not just your assigned precinct.

Here is where and when to vote in Rockdale and Newton counties.

Rockdale County

All early voting takes place at one location:

Rockdale County Board of Elections Office

1115 West Ave. SW, Conyers, GA 30012

- Tuesday–Friday, Oct. 13–16: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Saturday, Oct. 17: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Sunday, Oct. 18: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Monday–Friday, Oct. 19–23: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Saturday, Oct. 24: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Monday–Tuesday, Oct. 26–27: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Wednesday–Friday, Oct. 28–30: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Early voting ends at 7 p.m. on October 30. The Board of Elections Office is also the absentee ballot drop box location during early voting hours.

For questions, call the Rockdale County Board of Elections and Voter Registration at 770-278-7333.

Newton County

Newton County has two early voting locations.

Turner Lake Recreation Center

Turner Lake Road NW, Covington

- Tuesday–Friday, Oct. 13–16: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Saturday, Oct. 17: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Sunday, Oct. 18: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Monday–Friday, Oct. 19–23: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Saturday, Oct. 24: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

- Monday–Friday, Oct. 26–30: 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Prospect Church at Oak Hill

6752 Highway 212, Covington

- Tuesday–Friday, Oct. 13–16: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Monday–Friday, Oct. 19–23: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Monday–Friday, Oct. 26–30: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Weekend voting in Newton County is at Turner Lake only.

What to Bring

Georgia requires photo identification to vote in person. Accepted forms include a Georgia driver's license, even if expired, a valid U.S. passport, a military photo ID, a tribal photo ID, and certain government-issued employee IDs. A free voter ID card is available from your county registrar's office or the Georgia Department of Driver Services.

Voting by Mail

Voters planning to vote by mail may request an absentee ballot through Friday, October 23. All absentee ballots must be returned by 7 p.m. on Election Day.

Election Day: Tuesday, November 3

Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Unlike early voting, on Election Day you must vote at your assigned precinct. Anyone in line when polls close at 7 p.m. will be allowed to vote.

Some Election Day polling places have changed this year:

- **Rockdale, Conyers precinct:** now at the Rockdale County Board of Elections Office, 1115 West Ave. SW
- **Rockdale, Honey Creek precinct:** now votes at the Magnet precinct, Crosspoint Christian Church, 4550 Highway 20 South
- **Rockdale, Hightower precinct:** now votes at the Milstead precinct, First Baptist Conyers Church, 2100 Highway 138 NE
- **Newton, Fairview precinct:** now at Shiloh United Methodist Church, 10 Almon Church Road, Covington
- **Newton, Brick Store precinct:** now at Crossroads Baptist Church, 227 Highway 229, Social Circle

Check your assigned precinct, registration status, and sample ballot on the Georgia Secretary of State's My Voter Page at mvp.sos.ga.gov.

If you have questions about voting in Conyers or Rockdale County, contact me at cj@cjlesterinvestigates.com.

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