



Commonwealth of Kentucky County Election Planning Report

County Name	
Bell	
Election	
Primary Election	
Person Completing this Form	
Name	Kayla Carnes
Title	Deputy Clerk
Phone	606-337-6143

For in-person voting on Election Day, the County Board of Elections will (check one):

Consolidate precincts and precinct election officers (Requires Form SBE 74);
 Utilize the same consolidation plan that was used in a previous election (Requires previous Form SBE 74); or
 Open all existing precincts.

Excused in-person absentee voting will occur (check one):

Within the County Clerk's office; or
 In another location within the county (Requires Form SBE 74).

No-excuse in-person absentee voting will occur (check one):

Within the County Clerk's office; or
 In another location within the county (Requires Form SBE 74).

Absentee ballot drop-boxes will be located (minimum of one location required):

1st Location -Bell County Courthouse, 101 Courthouse Square, Suite 200, Pineville, KY 40977

2nd Location-Bell County Clerk's Office, Middlesboro Branch, 1475 Hwy 25E, Suite 4, Middlesboro, KY 40965

I have attached:

All required Form SBE 74 sheets
 Relevant Maps
 Supplemental Narrative


Signature

12-6-25

Date


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November 24, 2025

2026 Primary Election Plan

Karen,

Bell County would like to submit the following election plan for 2026 Primary Election for Bell County. We will have all 30 precinct locations open as well as 2 Excused Absentee Voting locations, 2 No-Excuse Early Voting Locations and 2 Ballot Drop Box locations. See attached Precinct List for precinct locations on Election Day.

6 Day Excused Absentee Voting Locations & 3 Day No-Excuse Early Voting Locations:

***Bell County Clerk's Office (Old Courthouse)**, 101 Courthouse Square, Pineville, KY 40977

***Middlesboro Community Center (30th Street)**, 705 N. Petersborough Ave, Middlesboro, KY 40965

-6 Day Excused Absentee Voting dates: May 6th thru 8th and 11th thru 13th, 8:00am – 4:00pm

-3 Day No-Excuse Early Voting dates: May 14th thru 16th, 8:00am – 6:00pm

Ballot Drop Box Locations

***Bell County Courthouse (Old Courthouse)**, 101 Courthouse Square, Pineville, KY 40977

***Bell County Clerk's Office – Middlesboro Branch**, 1475 Highway 25E, Suite 4, Middlesboro, KY 40965

Sincerely,

Debbie Gambrel,
Bell County Clerk

BELL COUNTY PRECINCT LOCATIONS

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT # 1

A101	PAGE	PAGE SCHOOL CENTER
A102	BLACKMONT	CALLOWAY FIRE STATION
A103	BROWNIES CREEK	BROWNIES CREEK FIRE STATION
A104	HUTCH	COLMAR FIRE STATION
A105	MELDRUM	BELL COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL
A106	LAUREL A	PAGE SCHOOL CENTER

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT # 2

B101	PINEVILLE EAST	PINEVILLE LIBRARY
B102	PINEVILLE CENTRAL	FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
B103	PINEVILLE WEST	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
B104	ARJAY	ARJAY FIRE STATION
B105	DORTON BRANCH	BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH
B106	BEVERLY	RED BIRD SENIOR CITIZENS FACILITY
B107	RIGHT FORK	RIGHT FORK SCHOOL CENTER
B108	STRAIGHT CREEK	RIGHT FORK SCHOOL CENTER
B109	LONE JACK	LONE JACK SCHOOL CENTER

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT # 3

C101	BINGHAMTOWN	BINGHAMTOWN BAPTIST CHURCH
C102	DORCHESTER	MIDDLESBORO COMMUNITY CENTER
C103	NOETOWN	MIDDLESBORO HIGH SCHOOL GYM LOBBY
C104	JUNCTION	SHILOH CHURCH
C105	WEST CENTRAL	COVENANT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT # 4

D101	CITY HALL	MIDDLESBORO FIRE STATION
D102	EAST END	EAST END SCHOOL GYM
D103	WINCHESTER	MIDDLESBORO COMMUNITY CENTER
D104	SOUTHSIDE	MIDDLESBORO LIBRARY
D105	EXETER	SOUTHSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT # 5

E101	LAUREL B	BELL COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL
E102	GREASY CREEK	LONE JACK SCHOOL CENTER
E103	CLEAR CREEK	CLEAR CREEK FIRE STATION
E104	SUTTY	FRAKES SCHOOL CENTER
E105	EDGEWOOD	MIDDLESBORO HIGH SCHOOL GYM LOBBY



Commonwealth of Kentucky

Petition to Consolidate Precincts and Precinct Election Officers

County Name	
Bell	
Election	Dates of Voting
Primary	May 14th - 16th, 2026
Person Completing this Form	
Name	Kayla Carnes
Title	Deputy Clerk
About Voting Location	
<i>Example: Tulip Poplar High, 123 Main Street, County High School</i>	
Name	Middlesboro Community Center
Address	705 N Petersborough Ave Middlesboro Ky 40965
Type	Community Center
Number of Parking Spaces	Sufficient Parking Spaces?
25 Plus	Yes
Voting Equipment to be Used	
Number	Type of equipment
2	Verity Scan
1	Verity Duo

Narrative Plan <i>(please attach additional sheets if needed)</i>
1.) Why is this consolidation of these precincts desirable?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is the same plan used in the last election
This will be a 2nd location for early voting. This makes it more convenient for voters to Early Vote so they have a choice of what location works best for them.
2.) In what manner will Precinct Officers be assigned?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This location will be fully staffed with election officials
There will be 8 Election Officers at this location for early voting. There will be 2 Clerks, 5 Judges and 1 Sheriff.
3.) How will the voting location be publicized to voters? How will the location be noted as a "Vote Center?"
This location will be advertised in the Newspapers as well as a post card sent to every household of the ways to vote.
4.) How will the voting location serve as a focal point to meet the needs of a diverse community?
This helps the voters in the Middlesboro Community by giving them the chance to voter early without a longer drive to the Pineville Courthouse.