

## Colorado primary election is Tues.

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Colorado's primary election is scheduled for next Tuesday, June 24.

Phillips County Clerk & Recorder Beth Zilla said ballots have been mailed to all registered Republicans, Democrats and Constitution party members in the county.

All ballots must be returned by 7 p.m. on election day in order to be counted. Zilla emphasized if ballots are returned by mail, the clerk's office must receive them by the June 24 deadline. Postmarks do not count.

Ballots can be dropped off at the county clerk's office in Holyoke or the Haxtun Town Hall from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through Friday, as well as Saturday, June 21, from 9 a.m.-noon and on election day, Tuesday, June 24, from 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

Unaffiliated voters in the county did not receive a primary election ballot. Zilla said election laws allow unaffiliated voters to declare a party and vote in the primary right up until election day.

Voters who are registered with party affiliation (Republican, Democratic or Constitution) cannot switch parties for this year's primary. That deadline to change parties was May 23.

While there are no local races in the Phillips County primary, there are several statewide races on the Republican primary ticket.

Republican gubernatorial candidates are Mike Kopp, Scott Gessler, Tom Tancredo and Bob Beauprez. The primary winner will face Democratic incumbent John Hickenlooper in November.

Cynthia Coffman and Mark Waller are seeking the Republican vote for attorney general, with the winner facing Democratic candidate Don Quick in the general election.

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In the 4th Congressional District, four Republicans seek to make it to the general election. They are Scott W. Renfroe, Ken Buck, Steve Laffey and Barbara J. Kirkmeyer.

On the Democratic primary ballot for the 4th Congressional District, Vic Meyers is the only name listed, but Dan Chapin has been approved as a write-in candidate.

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