Voting Instruction Guide for Optical Scan Paper Ballots
PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION • March 4, 2008

STEP 1
You will be given a paper ballot. Make sure it is correct for party affiliation and precinct.

DO NOT mark your ballot in the following ways:

George Washington

STEP 2
Fill in oval completely to indicate how you wish to vote. Use a black pen.

George Washington

STEP 3
Make sure your ballot is marked correctly. Choose the correct number of candidates for each race. Do not vote for more candidates than indicated.

George Washington

DO mark your ballot this way:

YES!

STEP 4
If you make a mistake on your ballot, take it to the Poll Worker and request a new ballot.

Improperly marked votes WILL NOT BE COUNTED.

STEP 5
Check again to make sure you voted the ballot correctly. Deposit your ballot into the ballot box for your correct precinct.

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The Cuyahoga County Board of Elections Introduces a New Voting Method

Beginning with the March 4, 2008 Presidential Primary Election, voters will use optical scan paper ballots to cast their votes.

The optical scan paper ballots are easy to use. Simply fill in the oval located next to your selection for a candidate or choice of an issue.

Common ballot problems occur when people vote for too many candidates in one race or when they cast their ballots in the wrong precinct.

Make sure you are at the correct precinct table at your location.

Make sure you read your ballot carefully and understand how many candidates to vote for. If you have a question, please ask a Poll Worker.

If you make a mistake on your ballot, return it to a Poll Worker and ask for a new one. You can request up to two replacement ballots.

Be sure and double check your ballot for accuracy. Improperly marked votes will not be counted. Once you put your ballot in the ballot box, your vote is final.

If a voter has a disability that needs to be accommodated, voting devices that are compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act will be available at each location.

If you still have questions, please call the Board of Elections Voter Information Hotline at:

216-443-3298

or visit our website for more information:
www.boe.cuyahogacounty.us