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Absentee ballot applications available to University students

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MISSOULA--

University of Montana students who are registered voters from other counties in Montana may obtain applications for absentee ballots at the Clerk and Recorder's Office in the Missoula County Courthouse to vote in the June 6 primary election.

Ken Wolff, election supervisor, said applications for absentee ballots must be signed either by a notary public or at the Missoula County Clerk and Recorder's Office on the second floor in the old section of the County Courthouse before being sent to clerk and recorder offices in other counties. Each student requesting an absentee ballot must send in a separate application to his own county.

Dates for applying for absentee ballots occur during the period beginning 45 days before an election and ending at noon the day before the election. The primary election will be June 6, so applications for absentee ballots must be sent in beginning April 22.

Wolff advises University students to apply for their absentee ballots in plenty of time to vote in the June 6 primary. The absentee ballots must be received at the clerk and recorder offices in other counties no later than noon June 5.

Students not registered to vote who are state residents may request to be registered by their respective county clerks and recorders. A student must return a registration card to his home county at least 40 days prior to the June 6 election. The deadline for the June 6 primary is April 27.

Wolff said the Missoula County Clerk and Recorder's Office will mail the absentee ballot requests for University students if the students provide the postage.

Students who are legal residents of other states should check voting regulations in their respective states if they wish to vote absentee in other states' primary elections.

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