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**EARLY VOTING BEGINS SATURDAY FOR APRIL 6TH ELECTION**

Secretary of State Tom Schedler is encouraging all Louisianians eligible to vote in the April 6th primary election to consider voting early starting this Saturday. Early voting begins Saturday, March 23rd and continues through Saturday, March 30th from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily, excluding Good Friday (March 29th) and Easter Sunday (March 31st).

“I can’t stress enough that every vote counts,” said Secretary of State Tom Schedler. “If you anticipate being busy on Election Day or out of town, the early voting period is your chance to cast a ballot. Local municipalities are deciding important issues and electing local officials that will impact the lives of voters. I strongly encourage everyone to make your voice heard, and go vote.”

Thirty-eight parishes are holding elections on April 6th. Those parishes include: Acadia, Allen, Ascension, Beauregard, Bienville, Bossier, Caddo, Calcasieu, Catahoula, East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Evangeline, Grant, Iberia, Jefferson, Jefferson Davis, Lasalle, Morehouse, Natchitoches, Orleans, Ouachita, Rapides, Sabine, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. Helena, St. James, St. Landry, St. Tammany, Vermillion, Vernon, Washington, Webster and West Baton Rouge. (media in the New Orleans market—please note that the Crescent City Connection toll is on the May 4th ballot, not April 6th)

Citizens who want to vote early may do so in person at their parish Registrar of Voters’ Office or at other designated locations. For a complete listing of early voting locations, visit [http://www.sos.la.gov/Home/Elections/EarlyVotingInPerson/EarlyVotingLocations/tabid/984/Default.aspx](http://www.sos.la.gov/Home/Elections/EarlyVotingInPerson/EarlyVotingLocations/tabid/984/Default.aspx). Voters can also utilize the Secretary of State’s smartphone application, GeauxVote Mobile, to find out where to vote, what’s on their ballot and their voting districts.

For more information about the Secretary of State’s Elections Division, visit [www.GeauxVote.com](http://www.GeauxVote.com) or call 225.922.2880.

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