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## MTSU STUDENT VOTING AND REGISTRATION INFORMATION

MTSU students are encouraged to participate in upcoming elections scheduled for August 7, 2008 and November 4, 2008. It's important to our county, state and nation that we get involved and vote when we are eligible.

To vote, everyone must be registered at least **30 days prior** to the election (July 8, 2008 for August, and October 6, 2008 for November). Upon receiving and approving the voter registration application form, the Election Commission will assign the individual a voting precinct (where the voter will vote on election day based on residence address).

An individual who is registered to vote in their home county of residence and is attending a university or college outside their home of voter record may request an absentee ballot from their County Election Commission office (check with your county election office for deadlines), and vote by absentee ballot. Or the student, if residing in Rutherford County, may choose to change their county of residence (and spouse if applicable), and register to vote in Rutherford County while attending MTSU (which cancels voter registration in the previous county of residence), and then vote either during the announced early voting period, or on election day. Voter Registration applications and other election information may be obtained by visiting the Election Commission website at [www.rutherfordcountyttn.gov/election](http://www.rutherfordcountyttn.gov/election). Voter cards are mailed to the voter's address provided on the registration application. MTSU students living on campus should provide their residence address of **1301 E. Main Street**, with appropriate P. O. Box number or if mail is received by general delivery.

Students with question about any election process should call The Rutherford County Election Commission at 615-898-7743, or e-mail inquiries to [election@rutherfordcounty.org](mailto:election@rutherfordcounty.org). The Election Commission office is located at 1 Public Square South, Room 103, Murfreesboro, TN. 37130.

### Individuals may register to vote if they:

- Are a U.S. citizen
- Will be 18 years of age on/or before the next election
  - Are a resident of Tennessee
- Have not been convicted of a felony or, if convicted, had voting rights restored by a court order or pardon