CRETE VOTING INFORMATION

2026 General Election: Tues., Nov. 3

For the most accurate and extensive information about voting, visit:

www.willcountyclerk.gov

(Verify voter registration status, locate polling place, find info on registering to vote, request Vote by Mail application, track your ballot, and more.)

Will County Clerk's Office: 302 N. Chicago St., Joliet, 815-740-4615

Local-to-Crete Early Voting Locations

Crete Township Office: 1367 Wood St., 708-672-8279
Oct. 26-30: 9am-3pm; Oct. 31: 10am-2pm

Governors State University: Hantack House (across from Paul Bunyan statue)
1 University Pkwy., 708-534-5000
Oct. 19-23: 9am-3pm Oct. 24: 9am-12pm
Oct. 25: 12-4pm Oct. 26 & 27: 9am-3pm
Oct. 28-30: 10am-5pm Oct. 31: 9am-3pm
Nov. 1: 10am-4pm

The Will County Clerk's Office, 302 N. Chicago St., Joliet, is open for early voting from Sept. 24 thru Nov. 2. Check the County Clerk's website for hours, as well as for other locations.

Vote by Mail

To vote by mail, voters must first submit an application for a Vote by Mail ballot. The Will County Clerk's Office offers a number of ways to request these applications and to enroll in Permanent Vote by Mail. Visit the website for full details. The actual ballots will be mailed 40 days before Election Day.

After you receive and complete your Vote by Mail ballot, you can return it:

- Directly to the Will County Clerk's Office no later than 7pm on Election Day.
- Mail them with a postmark by Election Day.
- Deposit in one of the Clerk's secure dropboxes. The closest is at GSU's Main Building, (M-F: 6am-10:30pm; Sat.: 7:30am-6pm; Sun.: 12-9pm; dropbox closes at noon on Nov. 2). Visit the Clerk's website for details/other locations.

If you change your mind and decide to vote in person, you should preferably bring your mail in ballot to your polling place and let the election judges know.

REGISTERING to VOTE

Who Can Register to Vote?

- U.S. citizens
- Age 18 by the date of the next election
- A resident of their precinct for 30 days prior to the election
- Not be convicted and incarcerated
- Not eligible to vote anywhere else

Where to Register to Vote

- At the Crete Public Library thru Oct. 6. Call for deputy registrar availability.
- Online thru Oct. 18. Visit https://ova.elections.il.gov/.
- Mail-in applications must be mailed no later than 28 days before the election.
- See below for Grace Period & Same Day Registration.

Required Identification to Register

Generally, residents need two forms of ID to register, one of which must have their current address. Acceptable forms of ID include:

Driver's license/state ID	Utility bill
Checkbook	Library card
Credit card	Birth certificate
Social Security card	Employee ID
Student ID	Insurance card

You can check your registration status and/or find your polling place location on the Will County Clerk's website. Your voter ID card is not necessary to vote, but they are being mailed regularly.

Grace Period & Same Day Registration & Voting

If you were unable to register by the above deadlines, you can still register at the Will County Clerk's Office in Joliet or at any early voting location as long as you cast your ballot at the same time. You may also register at your polling place on Election Day and vote at the same time.

Crete Public Library
1177 Main St | Crete, IL 60417 | 708-672-8017

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