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Fully Complying With the Law: Cumberland County to Begin Counting Mail-in and Absentee Ballots Wednesday, Nov. 4 at 9 a.m.

Carlisle, PA – The canvassing, or counting, of mail-in and absentee ballots in Cumberland County will begin on Wed. Nov. 4 at 9 a.m., the day after the General Election. This action fully complies with state law. Due to available resources and the COVID-19 pandemic, this will allow the county to give equal weight to in-person and mail-in and absentee ballots.

“The Board of Elections, comprised of the Cumberland County Commissioners, is committed to counting every vote and not certifying the results in Cumberland County until every eligible vote, whether completed at the polling place or via mail-in or absentee ballot, is properly counted,” said Commissioner Gary Eichelberger.

This affords county officials the ability to concentrate on the smooth operation of our polling places and to ensure that appropriate COVID-19 precautions are in place at all polling locations for the safety of our residents and poll workers.

On the day after the election, the county will focus on counting (canvassing) mail-in and absentee ballots. The Board of Elections will publicly discuss the canvassing schedule at its meeting on Thursday, Oct. 29.

All election results from the polls will be posted on the Bureau of Elections [website](#), beginning at 8 p.m. on Election Day. Mail-in and absentee ballot counts will be posted on the Bureau of Elections website daily, after each day count.

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