Chitimacha Tribal Election Board

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NOTICE OF ELECTION:
The Chitimacha Tribal Election Board hereby gives notice of the Annual Tribal Election to be held on:

**Saturday June 11, 2022**

Positions available are as follows:

- Secretary Treasurer (1 Seat)
- Councilman at Large (2 Seats)
- Board of Education Members (3 Seats)

Applications for Office Seats will be accepted from the Last Monday in March through the second Friday in April (March 28, 2022 to April 08, 2022)

(During regular hours of operation for Tribal Administration)

**Tribal Office Hours**

Mon. - Thurs.: 7:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

Friday: 7:30 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.

Interested Applicants may contact any Election Board Member to set up an appointment to file. There will be a $25.00 filing fee due at the time of filing for candidacy.

*Picture of applicant will be taken at time of filing.*

Please make payment in the form of Cash, Check or Money Order payable to the: Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana

**THE APPLICATION DEADLINE WILL NOT BE EXTENDED UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES**
VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE:

Any member wishing to register to vote may do so by contacting an Election Board Member.

To be eligible to vote in the June 11th election, you must be registered by:

Thursday, May 19, 2022
by 5:00 P.M.

Any person registering to vote must have a valid form of identification, including non-expired issue date of the identification card. All forms of identification must be Federal, State, or Tribal issued and must contain a proper photo and signature identical to that of the registered voter.

Please be advised, if you are turning 18 years of age on May 20 or May 21, the Election Board will only accept your registration on the Voter Registration Deadline date.

NO EXCEPTIONS!
ABSENTEE VOTING:
Absentee Voting will begin on:
Saturday, May 21, 2022

Polling Place for Absentee Voting will be located at the Chitimacha Tribal Community Center (location specified below)
You may contact any member of the Election Board to vote Absentee or if you wish to have your ballot mailed to you, you may fill out the “Absentee Ballot Request Form” contained in this mail-out.
Remember to submit the request form no later than:
Monday, May 16, 2021 by 5:00 p.m.
Absentee Voting hours will be Monday-Friday 8:00 am to 6:30 pm and Saturday and Sunday 9:00 am –4:00 pm

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PRIMARY POLLING PLACE DATE, LOCATION & HOURS OF OPERATION:
Saturday, June 11, 2022
Polls open from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Location: Chitimacha Tribal Community Center
(The Old Trading Post)
116 Chitimacha Loop, Charenton, LA 70523

Please remember that in order to cast a vote in the election, you must have a valid form of identification, including non-expired issue date of the identification card.
All forms of identification must be Federal, State, or Tribal Issued and must contain proper photo and signature identical to that of the registered voter.
Greetings Tribal Member:

As per the newly revised Title X—Rules and Regulations of the Chitimacha Tribal Election Board Ordinance, approved by the Chitimacha Tribal Council on March 03, 2016, Section 803, pg. 36 states:

“Persons requesting an absentee ballot must fax, email, mail, or hand deliver a completed Absentee Ballot Request Form to the Chitimacha Tribal Election Board such that the Chitimacha Tribal Election Board receives it no later than the close of business on the third Monday in May.”

The absentee ballot request form is located on page 6, of this notice. If you are looking to request an absentee ballot to be sent to you via United States Postal Services on the day the absentee voting polls open, you must submit this form to the Chitimacha Tribal Election Board no later than Monday, May 16, 2022 by 5:00 p.m. Otherwise, you will be required to come to the designated absentee voting polling place to cast your vote.

Be reminded that, “No person shall request absentee ballots for any other person(s). Only those voters who will not be present on the date of the election can receive an absentee ballot. All others will be required to cast their ballot at the designated polling place. Persons who are handicapped or illiterate may have someone assist them in the voting process. However, each absentee ballot must be completed according to the enclosed instructions. Ballots that do not conform to these instructions will be considered spoiled and not counted. In order for the absentee ballot to be accepted, it must be accompanied with an Affidavit and a copy of a Valid Identification, including an unexpired driver’s license, Tribal identification, or passport.”

The absentee ballots and instructions will be mailed to you once the absentee voting polls open on Saturday, May 22, 2021.

Please fill out the blank absentee ballot request form located on the next page and send it back to the Chitimacha Tribal Election Board office.

Should you need assistance or have any questions regarding this absentee ballot request form, feel free to contact any Chitimacha Tribal Election Board Member.

Respectfully Submitted,
The Chitimacha Tribal Election Board
ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST FORM

Tribal Election   June 11, 2022

Complete this form and submit it to the Election Office if you wish to vote by absentee ballot in the June 11, 2022 General and Special Election. This completed form must be mailed, faxed, emailed or personally delivered to the Election Office as indicated at the bottom of this form.

1. Please list your name, mailing address and phone number here:

   FULL NAME (FIRST, MIDDLE, LAST)

   STREET ADDRESS / P.O. BOX   CITY   STATE   ZIP

   PHONE NUMBER

2. Please clearly print your full name. Then sign and date this absentee ballot request certification statement.

   I, _____________________________________ hereby certify that I am a member of the Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana and that I am a registered voter with the Tribe. I understand that should I decide to vote at the polling place on Election Day, I may do so only if I bring my absentee ballot(s) with me to exchange for a polling place ballot(s). Please mail me an absentee ballot so I can vote by mail in the General Election to be held on June 11, 2022.

   Signature:____________________________________ Date:_________________

You may return this Request by mail, email, fax, or hand delivery to the Election Board Office. If you are returning the Request by mail, it must be received at the Post Office no later than Monday, May 16, 2022 by 5:00 p.m. If you are returning the Request by email, fax, or hand delivery to the Election Board Office, it must be received by Monday, May 16, 2022 by 5:00 p.m. When returning your Absentee Ballot Request Form you must ensure that you have allowed enough time to receive and return the absentee ballot. In order to receive an absentee ballot directly at the Election Board Office, you must present this completed form and a copy of your photo identification.

Return this form by mail to:

   Chitimacha Election Board
   P. O. Box 99
   Charenton, LA 70523

OR

Return this form by hand delivery to:

   Chitimacha Election Board Office
   155 Chitimacha Loop
   Charenton, LA 70523

OR

Fax to: (337) 923-6848

OR

Email to: election@chitimacha.gov

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ELECTION BOARD USE ONLY

Form Received:__________________________

Date _________ / _______ / ______ Method: __________
by __________________________________________________________________________

Tribal citizen verified to be a registered voter:

ELECTION BOARD   DATE

Absentee Ballot delivered:

Date _________ / _______ / ______ Method: __________