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**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2020 8:24 AM  
**To:** Lakeland-DL-All Post Offices  
**Cc:** Lakeland-DL-Leadership Team  
**Subject:** Important Election and Absentee Ballot Information

**Importance:** High

Team,

In lieu of the changes that transpired late yesterday, absentee ballots now must be postmarked today to be counted for the April 7, 2020 election. We need to make sure that we clearly postmark every absentee ballot we receive today and make every effort to get ALL ballots to their destination before 4pm April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020. I strongly encourage carriers and clerks to isolate absentee ballots from other mail collected today so they can give to a clerk for postmarking and deliver locally today when possible. This should be done in an effort to promote social distancing while still getting ballots postmarked today. Please contact your political mail coordinator Craig Swenson at 608-246-1359 or [Craig.d.swenson@usps.gov](mailto:Craig.d.swenson@usps.gov) for additional questions.

Here's the final answer from the U.S. Supreme Court regarding mailed ballots:

- (1) To be counted, ballots must be postmarked by today, April 7, 2020.
- (2) Clerks will count all properly postmarked ballots received at their offices before 4:00 p.m. on April 13, 2020.

If a ballot has an illegible postmark the County Boards of Canvass will have to decide whether to count it or not.

Thank You.

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