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Will County Clerk, Nancy Schultz Voots, wishes to inform voters that currently, Illinois Law prohibits Election Judges from asking for identification from a voter before being allowed to vote on Election Day. This is due to the fact that you already provided ID at the time you registered to vote. Once the Election Judge locates your ballot application and verifies the address provided, the application is given to the voter to sign their name above the facsimile signature. The Election Judges will carefully compare your handwritten signature to the facsimile. They are not expected to be experts at handwriting verification, but they should see visual similarities between the two. You will only be asked for ID if:

- the signature does not match
- there is no signature on file
- the words "SHOW ID" appear on your ballot application

Early Voting begins on October 22nd. For those voters who will take advantage of voting early, Illinois Law does require you to show a government issued ID with your name and current address on it.

Please visit the Will County Clerk's website at www.thewillcountyclerk.com for this and other election-related information.