

Question	Answered
Questions During Session	
<p>Q: Is there a way to get Purell hand sanitizer? We even have a FEMA number but that doesn't even seem to help. I want to get stands, dispensers and refills.</p> <p>A: Have you checked with Amazon? You can ask Amazon to put you on their "essential worker list" which will give you priority in ordering PPE supplies. Here is some additional information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sam's Club – Harris Co. purchased face shields from them at a reasonable price • San Antonio Lighthouse for the Blind, Chris Crane, National Sales Manager, 2305 Roosevelt Avenue, San Antonio, Tx 78210. 210-846-3775 (cell) (TAC Health Benefit Pool ordered PPE from them to send out to members) • Tito's Distillery in Dripping Springs may have hand sanitizer (TAC has ordered from them) • Anheuser Busch is going to provide hand sanitizer for the nation for use in voting. This will be for the Nov. election. 	<p>--</p>
<p>Q: What's a "5-day" plan?</p> <p>A: That which we call our Central Count Plan.</p> <p>ec. 127.007. PLAN FOR COUNTING STATION OPERATION. (a) The manager shall establish and implement a written plan for the orderly operation of the central counting station. (b) The plan required under this section must address the process for comparing the number of voters who signed the combination form with the number of votes cast for the entire election. (c) The plan required under this section must be available to the public on request not later than 5 p.m. on the fifth day before the date of the election.</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Q: Some of my pollworkers want to use paper pollbooks instead of the electronic pollbooks. I think it would be easier to keep pollbooks sanitary more than paper. Your thoughts please?</p> <p>A: Wiping down a screen and/or shared stylus is MUCH easier than keeping paper forms clean/sanitary.</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Q: So, my question is...where on the application does the voter have to list what their disability is? My County Attorney and I have visited about this and as an Election Official I do not have the duty or right to question the disability. The application is acceptable if otherwise valid.</p> <p>A: Correct. Just checking the box labeled "disability" is sufficient and you are to take them at their word.</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Q: We submitted our grant paperwork last Thursday and have not heard anything. How do we know if it was accepted or rejected?</p> <p>A: Call or email Dan Glotzer with the SOS at 1.800.252.VOTE (8683) or (512) 463.5650. His email address is dglotzer@sos.texas.gov. He will be able to help you or direct you to someone who can.</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Q: Can we get away without using a local Business Reply Mail? I know 4511 is state wide, but we also have a local one, which is really quite expensive to maintain.</p> <p>A: I recommend you contact Heather Hawthorne, Chambers County Clerk, at (409) 267-7098.</p>	<p>--</p>

<p>Q: Please clarify the question/topic of USPS holding ballots. In the SOS Advisory meeting where we met with USPS Officials, it was mentioned that the fact that some of us in surrounding counties had to wait for our mail ballots to travel to the larger city hubs then come back to us. This causes a several day delay sometimes in us getting the ballots. In response to that, they are working on keeping those ballots local and delivering them to us, keeping them from going through, for instance, Austin and then back to Hays County.</p> <p>A: Hays County Elections Administrator, Jennifer Anderson, talked to her Regional Election Coordinator today. Across the State they will be holding all mail ballots for the two weeks leading up to the election and delivering them to prevent them going to postal hubs and coming into our offices past the due date.</p>	Yes
<p>Q: Is TAEA stepping up to stop the change of the BBM forms? We have heard they are wanting to change the envelopes to white with the blue swipe on it.</p> <p>A:</p>	--
Questions Submitted Prior to Session	
<p>Q. We are considering using some of the CARES money to hire security to help us enforce social distancing during Early Voting, what are your thoughts?</p> <p>A. I would contact the SOS and speak with Dan Glotzer to ascertain if that is an allowable expenditure. Call or email Dan Glotzer with the SOS at 1.800.252.VOTE (8683) or (512) 463.5650. His email address is dglotzer@sos.texas.gov.</p>	Yes
<p>Q. I'm new as county clerk. What is the most important things I need to know?</p> <p>A. Contact Heather Hawthorne at (409) 267-7098. She will be glad to mentor you.</p>	Yes
<p>Q. Must poll workers wear masks and/or gloves?</p> <p>A. According to the SOS, poll workers can be required to wear masks or shields. The SOS stated, after conferring with the Texas Department of Emergency Management, the most important PPE will be wearing masks and/or protective shields and hand washing. Gloves were not highly recommended because so many do not know how to take them off properly without contamination.</p> <p>The reason poll workers can be required to wear protective facial covering is because they are hired by the county and can be required to wear a masks at the polling place. This not only protects poll workers but instill confidence in voters that protection measures are being used.</p>	Yes
<p>Q. CURBSIDE: In years past we've experienced voters abusing curbside voting. Given today's heightened curbside mentality, what ideas or suggestions do you all have for restricting curbside voting to those voters truly requiring curbside assistance?</p> <p>A. SOS is presently working on an advisory on curbside voting. The advisory is anticipated to be released next week. (The week of 6/15/20)</p> <p>For an example, Chambers County displays the handicap placard at the entrance of curbside voting for voters to see when they call for assistance. This has deterred some voters from using curbside voting if they are not handicapped.</p>	Yes
<p>Q. How are other counties handling the extra expense with any entities they are contracted with? Are they passing this expense on are they offsetting with the grant?</p> <p>A. I would reach out to other counties as to how they will handle the additional expenses. This will vary from county to county. I would contact Dan Glotzer at the SOS in using the grant for offsetting these type of additional expenses. Call or email Dan Glotzer with the SOS at 1.800.252.VOTE (8683) or (512) 463.5650. His email address is dglotzer@sos.texas.gov.</p>	No