

**Pierce County Special Election - February 14, 2012**  
**Canvassing Board Report**  
**February 24, 2012**

**Status Report**

**Ballot Statistics as of 2/23/2012**

<b>VOTER STATISTICS</b>	
Total number of active registered voters in all precincts	<b>117,916</b>
Total number of inactive registered voters in all precincts	<b>16,479</b>
Total registered voters in all precincts	<b>134,395</b>

<b>BALLOT STATISTICS</b>	
The total number of ballots issued	<b>118,292</b>
Total number of ballots returned (includes challenged ballots)	<b>46,045</b>
Total ballots counted*	<b>45,785</b>
*includes overseas, out of state, service voters, email ballots, and Address Confidentiality Program ballots	
<b>Ballot Return Statistics (See report 1 and 2 for detail)</b>	
Ballots returned by mail	<b>29,872</b>
Ballots returned at drop boxes	<b>15,829</b>
Ballots returned at the Elections customer service counter	<b>98</b>
Ballots returned at Voting Centers	<b>246</b>
<b>Provisional Ballots</b>	
Total number of provisional ballots issued by Pierce County	<b>1</b>
Provisional ballots received from other counties	<b>0</b>
Total provisional ballots counted	<b>0</b>

<b>VOTER TURNOUT STATISTICS</b>	
Total ballots counted	<b>45,785</b>
Overall turnout percentage	<b>38.83%</b>

<b>CHALLENGED BALLOT STATISTICS</b>	
<b>Unsigned ballot envelopes</b>	
Total unsigned ballot envelopes received	236
Signature updates received and processed	161
Outstanding letters sent to voters with no response	<b>75</b>
<b>Signature Discrepancies**</b>	
Total signature discrepancies received	259
Signature discrepancies resolved and processed	89
Outstanding letters sent to voters with no response	<b>170</b>
**Includes signatures that do not match, wrong signers, and envelopes signed with Power of Attorney	
<b>ID needed</b>	
Did not provide ID when registering -waiting for ID	1
<b>Total ballots currently challenged</b>	<b>246</b>

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<b>TO BE CANVASSED</b>	
<b>Ballots</b>	
<b><u>Voter Intent Unclear - Refer to Voter Intent Statewide Standards on What is a Vote</u></b>	
Group 1, Ballots 1 - 34 (Outside the target area Pages 2, 22, 23-31, 32,34)	34
Group 2, Ballots 35 - 37 (Hesitation mark or overvote? Pages 17, 48-49)	3
Group 3, Ballots 38 - 42 (Corrected votes; Pages 32-43)	5
Group 4, Ballot 43. A ballot was returned with an X signed by two witnesses with a note to see inside for signed copy. Inside was a signed declaration from the voter. Do we count the ballot?	1
<b>Total ballots canvassed</b>	<b>43</b>

<b>REJECTED BALLOT STATISTICS</b>	
<b><u>Ballots rejected (voter challenge code applied, no credit given)</u></b>	
Voter cancelled after ballots were mailed	14
<b><u>Ballots rejected (No challenge code applied, No credit given)</u></b>	
Cannot identify voter (returned secrecy only or no declaration returned)	10
Wrong election	11
<b><u>Provisional ballots rejected</u></b>	
Not currently registered	1
<b>Total ballots rejected</b>	<b>36</b>

**VOTING CENTER RECONCILIATION**

**Ballot accountability forms**

Election workers are required to complete a ballot accountability form at the end of each night the voting centers are open. A thorough review has been completed. This involves an extensive review of the number of people signing the voter declarations compared to the number of ballots cast at the voting center and the number of voters receiving credit. Each voting center balanced.

**ACCESSIBLE VOTING AUDIT**

**Touch Screen Audit of Results**

The Touch Screen audit was not conducted. Per WAC 434-262-105 only races and issues with more than ten votes cast on all direct recording electronic devices in the county may be selected for the audit. If the county does not have such a contest, it must not conduct the audit of paper records required by RCW 29A.60.185.

**RANDOM CHECK OF BATCHES**

On February 14, 2012, representatives of the Republican and Democratic political parties requested a manual tally of selected Vote-By-Mail batches. The request was made to perform a random check of the votes cast for the Peninsula School District No. 401. The ballots and tabulator were selected at random. All results matched exactly, no discrepancies were found. This audit was performed in the presence of the official political party observers.

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<b>MAILING STATISTICS</b>	
<b><u>Undeliverable ballots</u></b>	
<b>Total number of undeliverable ballots returned by the Post Office</b>	<b>1,133</b>
<b><u>Ballots postmarked too late</u></b>	
Received February 16, 2012	191
Received February 17, 2012	58
Received February 21, 2012	35
Received February 22, 2012	44
Received February 23, 2012	2
<b>Total number of ballots postmarked too late</b>	<b>330</b>