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## Latest Mock Primary Election Is Live and Alaskans Can Now Choose the "Sportiest Summer Olympic Sport"

**July 15, 2021 (JUNEAU, AK)** – Voters can vote for the "Sportiest Summer Olympic Sport" in the Division of Election's (DOE) 2<sup>nd</sup> educational mock Top Four Primary (TFP) election **beginning today, July 15, 2021**. The TFP, <https://app.rankedvote.co/elections/8983/Sportiest-Summer-Olympics-Sport/8968/vote>, will be **open until 5pm AKST on Thursday July 22, 2021** at which point the top four vote getters will advance to the mock Ranked Choice Voting (RCV) General Election. Once voters submit their ballot, they can immediately view current results. The mock RCV General Election will run for two weeks in conjunction with the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games which begin Friday July 23, 2021.

"The Olympics are a first-rate competition that evoke unique excitement and camaraderie. We want voters to choose which sport gets the gold medal while our state cheers on our fellow Alaskans who are competing in the Olympics." said Division Director, Gail Fenumiai.

The mock TFP uses RankedVote's online app, an education tool that mimics Alaska's new election systems to help voters practice and understand how RCV works. There are 46 sports in the Summer Olympics, so in an effort to narrow down the primary election field, some candidates will have running mates. Voters can choose the sportiest sport among:

- Martial Arts (Judo, Karate, Taekwondo)
- Basketball
- Archery & Shooting
- Athletics (Track & Field)
- Baseball/Softball
- Volleyball & Beach Volleyball
- Canoeing & Rowing & Sailing
- Cycling Sports
- Swimming & Diving Sports
- Football (Soccer)
- Golf
- Field Hockey
- Gymnastics Sports
- Sport Climbing
- Surfing & Skateboarding
- Table Tennis
- Tennis & Badminton
- Triathlon & Pentathlon & Fencing & Equestrian
- Rugby & Water Polo & Handball
- Boxing
- Wrestling
- Weightlifting

Voters can reach the Division of Elections with questions and feedback specifically related to RCV by emailing [elections@alaska.gov](mailto:elections@alaska.gov). Organizations and other potential partners who want to help with the campaign can also reach out to that email address.

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