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**To:** Election Agents for Killeen Independent School District (KISD) and Central Texas College (CTC) **Reference:** Polling Sites located entirely in Coryell County, election programming capabilities

Killeen Independent School District and Central Texas College entered into an Agreement with the City of Killeen and Bell County to provide election services for the May 2025 Elections. KISD and CTC presented their approved order to Bell County, outlining information for their respective elections.

Bell County used the information to plan for specific services to meet both intents and prioritized these requests. In certain areas, adjustments were adopted due to programming capability limitations and timelines, Coryell County not offering election services within its boundaries, and the requirement to accommodate the City of Killeen's existing programming based on their established agreement with KISD and CTC.

Moreover, programming capabilities remain limited in ultimately servicing both Entities, specifically a request for voters' assignment for the Coryell County polling sites.

As a result, Bell County would recommend the following: *The CTC Administration building will be a site to service both entities' voters inside Bell County, and the Copperas Cove location will service Coryell County voters.* Bell County continues to design elections services for 21 other entities within the system's capabilities, ensuring that elections are secure and transparent. *Attached is a technical depiction:* 

Respectfully,

Dr. Desi Roberts Election Administration Bell County

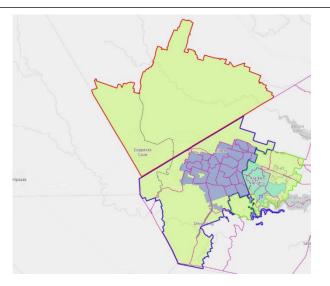
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The zone outlined in Red is for Coryell County voters. The zone outlined in Blue is the City of Killeen / Killeen ISD / CTC combined voters. The zone outlined in Lime Green is the City of Harker Heights and the eastern "rural" KISD / CTC voters.

- The red zone voters will have ONE paper pollbook with information provided by Coryell County.

- The blue zone voters will be exported from our system and given to City of Killeen for their pollbook vendor to upload / make use of.

- The lime green zone voters will have at least TWO pollbooks. One that is printed for City of Harker Heights residents ONLY. The other will be for Killeen ISD / CTC voters that are NOT INCLUDED in the other two pollbook zones. You cannot have ONE paper pollbook be at two locations at once. You also CANNOT just make a copy and then tell workers to call the other location when a voter has checked in to mark them on that other list. You have to have a way for those two sites to communicate in real time. This is per Texas Election Code, Section 31.014. If you can't accomplish that, you can't have two sites.

That is why Bell County Voters are being pointed to CTC administration building and Coryell county voters to Copperas Cove. If there are no Bell County voters being pointed to CTC admin, and we can't make the two Coryell sites communicate check-ins since they are NOT our voters and are NOT in our system, then it sounds like the best course of action is to not use one of those sites and have all Coryell voters just go to ONE location.

NONE of these three zones will be able to "talk" to each other across zones. We do not have the capability to integrate the out-of-county voters from Coryell County into our system. The red zone voters will be exported out of our system to be accessed on City of Killeen's pollbooks and those are not connected to our county system. The lime green zone voters will be on their own pollbooks and not connected to either the red zone voters NOR the blue zone voters.

There is NO current way for us to make all three zones "cross-talk" with each other. The recommendation to all entities involved with Bell County has always been to involve us with the initial planning and request, since these situations require significant programming synchronization across the entire county.