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I fully support in person voting. When my children were young my husband and I would take them with us to the polling places and make an event out of the act of voting and explain how important the process was. Mail in voting seems impersonal and not as significant and that is not right. I know from personal experience that when my son grew up and moved out of state, he continued to receive mailed ballots for over ten years. Even though I continually marked them as no longer resides here and returned them through the post office. After my mother died, my father moved from a different town to live with me for about a year. We submitted a change of address form for his mail. Somehow that act resulted in both he and my deceased mother having their voter registration updated to Lane County. After continuing to receive ballots after they both died, I contacted the County Clerk's office and asked how it happened that my mother who had never lived in Eugene was now an active voter here. They had no answer. They also had no answer as to why my son and deceased parents kept receiving ballots long after they were notified that this was not accurate. Mail in ballots just seem ripe for abuse of our voting laws as there appears to be not enough checks on who is actually receiving ballots and who is voting.