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A Facebook account impersonating the Swain County board of elections in North Carolina. Unfounded rumors that Tarrant County, Texas, doesn't have former Vice President Joe Biden on the ballot. Wrong claims in Maine that Election Day is on different days for Republicans than for Democrats.

The misinformation on social media is contributing to a heightened alert ahead of [Super Tuesday](#), when millions of Americans are expected to cast 2020 primary ballots.

"Misinformation is the most likely source of trouble we're going to experience this year," Keith Ingram, elections director at the Texas Secretary of State's office, told CNN.

State officials say misinformation poses as big a threat to elections as cyber-attacks that could cripple voting infrastructure. So to counter the bad information online, states are increasingly going on the offensive — trying to spread good information to inoculate the public.

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