

LET ME VOTE



Voting as a Student in Ohio

Current as of September 2015

Am I eligible to vote?

- To vote in Ohio you must:
 - Be a U.S. citizen.
 - Be at least 18 years old on election day.
 - Be an Ohio resident for at least 30 days.
 - Not be incarcerated for a felony conviction.
 - Not be declared incompetent to vote by a probate court.
 - Not be permanently disqualified for violating election laws.

Where should I register to vote?

- Students can register to vote at their school or home residence.

School residence:

- You may use your Ohio school residence address to vote if you consider that address to be your permanent address.
 - This means that at the time of voting, you do not intend to return to a different permanent address.
 - This rule applies even if you are classified as “out of state” by your school.

Home residence:

- You may register or remain registered at your prior address (i.e., at your parents’ Ohio address) if you intend to return after college.
 - Be aware that you can lose your Ohio residency by establishing residency in a new state, or by voting in another state.

How do I register to vote?

- Complete a voter registration form:
 - By printing the form available online at www.myohiovote.com.
 - In-person at the board of elections, Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles offices, public high schools or libraries.

Do I have to show ID when I vote?

- Yes. You must bring an ID that shows your name and address. The ID does not need to have your photo.
- You can show:
 - An Ohio driver's license; a state ID; a U.S. military ID with name and photo; a current utility bill (like a cell phone or electric bill); bank statement; pay check; government check; **or any government document with your name and current address.** Student ID is not accepted.

Can I vote absentee by mail?

- Yes, anyone who is registered to vote can vote by mail with an absentee ballot.
- You can get the form online at www.myohiovote.com or by calling your local board of elections.

For help or more information:

- Contact the Ohio Secretary of State's office at 877-SOS-OHIO (877-767-6446) or visit www.myohiovote.com.
- You also can call the Election Protection hotline at 866-OUR-VOTE (866-687-8683) or email info@866ourvote.org.
- If you feel your right to vote has been denied, contact the ACLU of Ohio at 216.472.2220 or contact@acluohio.org.



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