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Voter Frequently Asked Questions

When is Election Day?

Dates for 2020 Elections:

- March 17, 2020: Primary Election (Presidential)
- August 4, 2020: Special Election (held if needed)
- November 3, 2020: General Election (Presidential)

What is on my ballot?

Voters may view a sample ballot at www.443vote.us.

How do I select my political party?

The voter will not select a political party when they register. Under Ohio election law, you declare your political affiliation by requesting the ballot of a political party in a partisan primary election. If you do not desire to affiliate with a political party in Ohio, you are considered to be an unaffiliated voter and may vote the Official Questions & Issues Ballot, if there is one for your precinct at the election.

Will the Board of Elections send me confirmation that I am registered?

Yes. The voter will receive a postcard in the mail confirming they registered to vote. Additionally, they will receive an election reminder before every election in the mail. This will indicate their polling location, instructions for voting early if desired, and proper forms of ID to bring with them to the polls.

Can I register to vote online?

Yes, Ohioans may register to vote or update their voter registration online. A valid driver's license or state ID is required to use the online voter registration system. Visit www.voteohio.gov to register.

Where is my polling location?

Registered voters will receive a card in the mail with information about their voting location. Voters may look up their polling location at www.443vote.us.

What kind of ID do I have to bring with me on Election Day?

- Unexpired Ohio driver's license or state ID
- Military ID
- Current (within the past 12 months) utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, government check, or other government document with your name and current address

If a voter forgets to bring or does not have any ID, they will still be allowed to vote a provisional ballot which will be counted ten days after Election Day.

Can someone under the age of 18 register to vote?

If the individual will be 18 years old on Election Day, then they may register to vote as a 17-year-old. If they are 17 but their birthday is after Election Day, they should wait until after the election to register.

What if someone is just updating their address?

They should fill out the entire registration card as if they were re-registering. Otherwise, they can update their information online at www.voteohio.gov.

What if someone is just updating their name?

They should fill out the entire registration card as if they were re-registering. Otherwise, they can update their information online at www.voteohio.gov.

What if the voter does not live in Cuyahoga County? Can I still register them?

Yes. The voter can complete the registration card, and we will forward the information to the proper Board of Elections office. Please only register Ohio voters.

I don't know if I'm already registered. I think I might be.

A voter can check their voter registration status online by visiting www.443vote.us. They will select the tab that says "My Voting Info." If they cannot check but want to register, they can fill out a registration card. Please have them provide a phone number.