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How do I register to vote?

To register in New Jersey (NJ), you must be:

- A United States (US) citizen
- At least 17 years old, though you must be 18 years old in order to vote
- A resident of a county for 30 days before the election
- A person not serving a sentence of incarceration as a result of a conviction of any indictable offense under the laws of this or another state or of the US

You can check to see if you're already registered here: https://voter.svrs.nj.gov/registration-check.

If you aren't yet registered in NJ or you wish to change your registration to your current address, you can apply using an application form provided here: https://www.state.nj.us/state/elections/voter-registration.shtml. Keep note that **you** *must register 21 days prior to Election Day.*

How do I register by mail?

To register by mail, the registrant must complete a Voter Registration Application (PDF) and/or Party Affiliation Form (PDF), then mail or deliver the form(s) to the County Commissioner of Registration or Superintendent of Elections for your county. The PDFs will take you directly to the forms in English. Forms included in other counties and languages are linked before the PDFs.

Can I register online?

Currently, NJ residents cannot register to vote online. However, online registration is planned to begin in June, with a law (S589) allowing eligible voters to register to vote using an online form.

How do I vote?

You can vote in person on Election Day, by absentee ballot in person at the county auditor's office, by absentee ballot at a satellite voting station or by absentee ballot by mail.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it is encouraged that voters apply for absentee ballots for the primary election.

How do I vote on Election Day?

On Election Day, vote at the polling place for your precinct. For primary and general elections, polling places are open from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. You must provide a form of ID with an expiration date. Your Brookdale student ID does not have an expiration date and cannot be used as ID.

You can find your polling place here: https://voter.svrs.nj.gov/polling-place-search.

How do I vote absentee by mail?

To vote by mail, complete the Application for Vote by Mail Ballot (PDF) and returning the application to the County Clerk. To receive your ballot by mail, *the application must be received by the County Clerk 7 days prior to Election Day*. A voter may also apply in person to the County Clerk until 3:00 p.m., the day before the election.

The County Clerk cannot accept faxed or emailed copies of a Application for Vote by Mail Ballot, unless you are a Military or Overseas Voter, since an original signature is required.

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July 7, 2020 (Moved from the first Tuesday after the first Monday in June by Executive Order 120) Primary Election

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it is encouraged that voters apply for absentee ballots for this election.

November 3, 2020 (Tuesday after General Election first Monday in November)

More information on upcoming elections is included here: https://www.state.nj.us/state/elections/election-information-2020.shtml.

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For more information on voting in NJ, see the table of contents provided by the NJ Department of Elections on the Register to Vote! page here: https://www.state.nj.us/state/elections/voter-registration.shtml.