

**ACLU**DEFENDING OUR
VOTE

Making a *Voting Plan*

Prepared voters make their voting plans well before Election Day.

1. CONFIRM YOUR REGISTRATION STATUS OR REGISTER TO VOTE.

At least a month before an election, eligible voters should make sure they are registered to vote and that their registration information is up to date and accurate.

WWW.ACLU.ORG/ARE-YOU-REGISTERED-TO-VOTE

Scan to register
/check registration



2. LEARN ABOUT AND CONSIDER EARLY VOTING OPTIONS.

Many states offer a form of mail, absentee, or in-person early voting.

Absentee voting and/or mail-in voting may be a good option for reducing the risk of any complication arising on election day. Deadlines vary significantly by state and voters should leave enough time for their ballot to be received and counted. Consider using a drop box if your community has them.

WWW.NASS.ORG/CAN-I-VOTE/ABSENTEE-EARLY-VOTING

Check it out



Early voting allows voters to cast their ballot in person before Election Day, often over a period of several days or weeks. We encourage those in states with early voting periods to vote early, because it can provide more flexibility and mitigate risk.

3. IN-PERSON VOTING

If in-person voting works best for you, consider going with other eligible voters if you feel insecure about going alone. While the law permits us to be accompanied by whomever we'd like at the polls, in an abundance of caution, non-citizens may choose not to accompany their citizen friends and family members to polling places.

4. KNOW WHAT YOU NEED TO BRING TO THE POLLS

Some states require photo identification to vote. You can check if your state has ID requirements and what they are by visiting 866ourvote.org or calling the Election Protection Hotline 866-OUR-VOTE, 866-687-8693.

There are also multilingual hotlines:

- 888-VE-Y-VOTA, 888-839-8682 (for Spanish)
- 888-API-VOTE, 888-274-8683 (for multiple Asian languages)
- 844-YALLA-US, 844-925-5287 (for Arabic).



5. GET TO KNOW YOUR BALLOT

Reviewing your ballot in advance of voting can help you understand the values and positions of the issues and candidates on the ballot.

To review your ballot go to:

WWW.NATIONALVOTEREDUCATIONWEEK.ORG/BALLOT/

Review your ballot



6. EMPOWER YOURSELF AND OTHERS TO VOTE

Know your rights and share that information with your community. To learn more about rights related to voters, immigrants, protesters and much more, go to:

WWW.ACLU.ORG/KNOW-YOUR-RIGHTS#ALL-KYR

We invite you to share this voting plan widely.

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know your rights



Handy *Check List*

- ☐ Are you registered to vote and is your information up to date and accurate?
- ☐ Is vote-by-mail or early voting allowed in your state? How do you plan to vote?
If voting in person:
 - ☐ Do you know your polling location?
 - ☐ How are you getting to the polls?
 - ☐ If you are a caretaker, do you need to arrange for someone else to cover this responsibility while you go vote?
 - ☐ Do you plan to go alone or with other U.S. citizen friends and loved ones?
- ☐ Does your state require ID of voters? If so, what ID will you bring that is accepted?
- ☐ Do you know what's on your ballot?