

Step 1: Register to Vote

Go to your city or town clerk's office, and bring with you:

Proof of identity: Driver's license, state-issued ID, student ID, passport or other photo ID will work. Only ONE photo ID is needed.

Proof of age: Driver's license or birth certificate.

Proof of citizenship: *If you are a naturalized US citizen,* you should bring your US Passport or naturalization papers, if possible.

Proof of where you live: a NH driver's license or state-issued ID or vehicle registration with your current address on it; or any government mail addressed to you that proves where you live. More details on the Secretary of State's website at sos.nh.gov/elections/voters/register-vote

NOTE: If you don't have papers to prove age or citizenship, you may sign a form stating this information.

In New Hampshire, you may **register on Election Day at the polls**. It will take extra time, and the same paperwork will be requested.

Students who don't have proof of where they live, whether at home or at a college or boarding school, can sign a form stating this information.

Students who would rather register and vote in the town where they live while going to college may get a note from Resident Life to prove where they live, or show a lease for the apartment they rent off-campus. Students may also use a smartphone to show a document from their college that includes their campus address. Students who don't have these papers may sign a legal form stating this information.

If you don't have any paperwork to prove where you live, you will be allowed to vote.

You may vote only once in any election and register in only one place!

If you move, you'll register in your new town.

Step 2: Vote

Voting in Person: You should bring a valid photo ID to show to the Ballot Clerk at the polls. Only ONE ID is needed.

Acceptable photo IDs include:

- Driver's license from NH or any other state
- Non-driver's photo ID issued by NH Dept. of Motor Vehicles
- U.S. armed services ID card
- U.S. Passport or Passcard
- Valid student ID card
- Other photo ID acceptable to the moderator, supervisor of the checklist, or town/city clerk
- Verification of a person's identity by the moderator, supervisor of the checklist or town/city clerk

NOTE: Your photo ID must have been issued within the last five years or be expired for no longer than five years.

If you don't have a photo ID, you may still vote by signing a form stating that you are who you claim to be. Your photo will be taken and attached to the form. After the election, you'll get a letter from the Secretary of State's office with a postcard. You should sign and mail it back to confirm that you voted.

Voting Absentee: If you're a registered voter but can't vote in person because of disability, religious beliefs, work hours, military service, or temporary absence (*such as being away at college or in the military*), you may vote absentee. Absentee ballot application forms are available online at <https://www.sos.nh.gov/elections/absentee-ballots> or you may ask for one from your city/town clerk. Fill out the application and get it to your town or city clerk's office in plenty of time.

When you get your ballot in the mail from the clerk, fill it out, sign the envelope, and mail it back to your town/city clerk. The clerk must receive your ballot before 5:00PM on Election Day, either by mail or hand delivered. A relative may hand-deliver your ballot for you, but they will have to show identification. **Absentee ballots cannot be faxed, emailed or direct messaged to the clerk.**

FAQs

Why should I register to vote in advance?

Simple: If you're already registered, you're more likely to vote. You probably already know where your current city/town clerk's office is and how to get there. Easy!

But, can't I just register and vote on election day?

Yes, you may. The lines might be long, so plan ahead and bring your paperwork!

Can I register where I live while I go to college?

Yes, you may - it's your choice. However, if you know something about the candidates on the ballot in your hometown, you may want to vote for (or against) them. You might not feel the same connection to the issues or candidates in your adopted college town.

The upside to voting in your college town: You can vote in person rather than by absentee ballot. Try to register in advance. In NH college towns, the lines to register on election day can be long.

Who should I vote for?

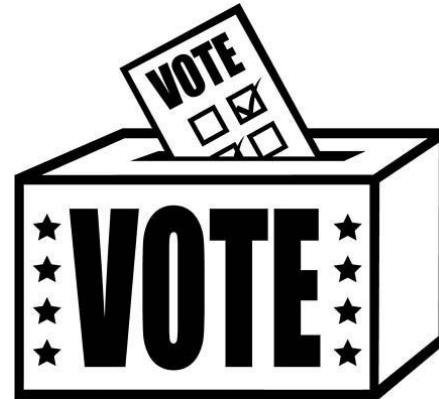
Social media and local papers will tell you who's running, and a sample ballot may be posted on your town clerk's web page.

Ask questions whenever you have the chance. Call, surf, google, email, snapchat, tweet, direct message, attend candidate forums (or view them online), attend political rallies, and ask candidates the questions that you want answered. If the candidates don't answer your questions...then, that tells you something, too.

Still have questions?

Ask your town or city clerk, or visit the Secretary of State's website for more information: <https://www.sos.nh.gov/elections>

**If you will be 18 by the next election
you may register to vote NOW !**



**STUDENTS
HAVE MANY
VOICES.**

**BUT THE VOICES THAT ARE
HEARD LOUDEST, BY THOSE
WHO MAKE OUR LAWS, ARE
THE VOICES OF THOSE WHO
VOTE.**

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