Voter Registration Frequently Asked Questions:



Sandusky County Board of Elections 2020 Countryside Dr. Fremont, OH 43420 419-334-6180

How do I know if I am registered to vote?

Click on the following link: <u>https://sandusky.oh-vote.org/VoterView/Home.do</u> Click on '<u>Registration Information</u>'

OR

You can call our office at 419-334-6180 and we can check to see if you are registered and if we have your most current information on file.

How can I register to vote?

You are qualified to register to vote in Ohio if you meet all the following requirements:

- 1. You are a citizen of the United States.
- 2. You will be at least 18 years old on or before the day of the General Election.
- 3. You will be a resident of Ohio for at least 30 days immediately before the election in which you want to vote.
- 4. You are not incarcerated (in jail or in prison) for a felony conviction.
- 5. You have not been declared incompetent for voting purposes by a probate court.
- 6. You have not been permanently disenfranchised for violations of election laws.

If you meet those requirements, follow this link: voteohio.gov to register online.

If you do not wish to register online, you may visit any public library, the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Sandusky County Treasurer's office or Job and Family Services. You may also contact our office and we will send you a registration form. If you prefer, you can register in person in our office.

Once your registration has been received and entered into our system, you will receive a notice that includes your precinct and polling location information.

<u>Can I still register and vote in the Primary Election on March 19, 2024 if I am not 18?</u>

You would be eligible to vote in the March election, if you will turn 18 on or before November 5, 2024. Ohio law permits 17-year-old electors who will be 18 years of age on or before the date of the general election to vote solely on the nomination of candidates seeking to be elected at that election and, in a presidential primary, for Presidential convention delegates. Voters who are 17 years old as of the date of the primary election are not permitted to vote on any question or issue.

How do I update my address?

Follow this link: voteohio.gov

If you do not wish to change your address online, you may visit any public library, the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Sandusky County Treasurer's office or Job and Family Services. You may also contact our office and we will send you a registration/change of address form. If you prefer, you can change your address in person in our office.

Once your change of address has been received and entered into our system, you will receive a notice that includes your precinct and polling location information.

Please note that it is important to keep your information updated so that you are correctly listed in the poll books on Election Day.

How do I change my name on my voting record?

You will need to complete a new voter registration card that includes your new signature so that our office has it on file. You can print the form at: <u>Voter Registration and Information Update Form (state.oh.us)</u>

Here you will be able to complete the form, print off and sign. Completed forms can either be dropped off in person to our office or mailed to:

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Registration forms are available at public libraries, Bureau of Motor Vehicle offices, Sandusky County Treasurer's office or Job and Family Services. You may also contact our office and we will send you a registration form to update your information. If you prefer, you can come to our office and complete the form to update your name.

Once your name change has been received and entered into our system, you will receive a notice verifying that your updated information has been added to your record.

What is the deadline to register prior to upcoming elections?

The voter registration form *must be received or postmarked by the 30th day before an election* at which you intend to vote. You will be notified by your county board of elections of the location where you vote. If you do not receive a notice following timely submission of this form, please contact your county board of elections. *The date to submit voter registrations for the March 19 Presidential Primary Election will be Tuesday, February 20, 2024.*

How do I change my political affiliation?

Per Ohio law, you are only able to change your political affiliation (political party) by voting in a *Primary Election.* At that time, you will simply request the party ballot of your choice. Per the Ohio Secretary of State:

DETERMINING PARTY AFFILIATION An elector is considered to be a member of a political party if they voted in that party's primary election within the preceding two calendar years, or if they did not vote in any other party's primary election within the preceding two calendar years. Each board of elections must enter voting history and update party affiliation following each primary election.



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