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YOUR VOTE MATTERS

GUIDE TO VOTING IN IOWA

GENERAL ELECTION — TUESDAY, NOV. 3, 2026

MAKE YOUR VOTING PLAN

REGISTER • EDUCATE • MOBILIZE • PROTECT

On Nov. 3, 2026, Iowans will choose candidates for the U.S. Senate, U.S. Representatives, Governor and Lieutenant Governor, state constitutional offices, members of the Iowa Legislature, judges for retention, and other state and local offices.

ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE? CHECK YOUR STATUS!

Check your voter registration and register or update your information at:

> sos.iowa.gov/voters/voter-registration

WHERE AND HOW DO YOU VOTE?

Find your polling place and learn about Election Day voting, absentee options and more.

> sos.iowa.gov/elections-voting

EARLY VOTING & ABSENTEE INFORMATION

Learn how to vote absentee by mail or in person.

> sos.iowa.gov/voters/absentee-voting

IOWA VOTER ID INFORMATION

Find out what ID you can use to vote and what to do if you do not have one.

> sos.iowa.gov/voters/voter-id-faq

FELONY VOTING RIGHTS INFORMATION

Learn about restored voting rights and how to register after restoration.

> sos.iowa.gov/voters/restoring-voter-rights

QUESTIONS OR NEED HELP?

Iowa Secretary of State Elections & Voter Registration:
515-281-0145 | sos.iowa.gov/elections-voting

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WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

VOTER ACCOMMODATIONS

- All Iowa polling places must be accessible.
- Accessible voting equipment is available at every polling place.
- You may receive assistance marking your ballot or vote curbside if you cannot enter the polling place.

COLLEGE STUDENTS

- You may register at your home address or your college address — not both.
- If you register on Election Day, you must provide proof of identity and residence.
- Polling places are open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Election Day.

VOTING RIGHTS RESTORATION

- Voting rights are restored after a person completes the sentence for a felony conviction, subject to Iowa's restoration rules.
- After rights are restored, you must register again at your current residential address.
- Certain Chapter 707 felony convictions require an application to the Governor for restoration.

VOTER ID LAW

You must show an accepted form of ID when voting in person, unless an exception applies.

- ✓ Iowa driver's license
- ✓ Iowa non-operator ID
- ✓ U.S. passport
- ✓ U.S. military or veteran ID
- ✓ Iowa Voter Identification Card
- ✓ Tribal ID card/document

If you do not have an accepted ID, Iowa provides other procedures, including Election Day proof of identity and residence and provisional voting.

EARLY VOTING

- In-person absentee voting begins Wednesday, October 14, 2026.
- Vote in person at your county auditor's office; some counties also offer satellite voting locations.
- In-person absentee voting is available through Monday, November 2.

WHO CAN VOTE?

- U.S. citizens who are Iowa residents and meet Iowa's age requirements may register and vote.
- You may pre-register beginning at age 17 if you will be 18 on or before Election Day.
- Iowa allows Election Day registration if you miss the pre-registration deadline.
- You must register again if you move to a different Iowa county.

YOUR VOTING PLAN

Answer these 3 questions and take action!

1 WHEN?

When are you going to vote?

- ☐ Early/In person
- ☐ Absentee/Mail
- ☐ Election Day

2 WHERE?

Where is your polling place?

- ☐ Check your polling place
- ☐ Contact your county auditor

3 HOW?

How are you getting there?

- ☐ Need transportation?
- ☐ Need assistance?
- ☐ Contact your local NAACP Branch or county auditor.

2026 KEY DATES

AUG. 25	OCT. 14	OCT. 19	NOV. 2	NOV. 3
Absentee ballot requests may begin.	In-person absentee voting begins.	5 p.m. voter registration deadline and absentee ballot request deadline.	Last day for in-person absentee voting.	GENERAL ELECTION DAY. Polls open 7 a.m.–8 p.m. Absentee ballots must be received by 8 p.m.

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