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2024 VOTER GUIDE

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WELCOME

Voting is one of the best efforts supporters of higher education have to keep our public colleges and universities moving forward. Higher education has a large voting block and is an important voice to reach decision makers. This November, we have a special opportunity to move Alabama and higher education forward by voting for candidates who support higher education.

There is a lot of information related to voting. We wanted to present a voter guide to ensure you have the correct information before Election Day. We strive to provide all of the necessary information to help you make your voice heard Remember, the last day to register is Oct. 21, 2024.

As you see candidates on campus campaigning for elected office, please take a moment and ask their position on higher education funding and if they will support your university. Better yet, share with candidates for office why higher education is important to YOU!

Every vote matters, so be sure to make a point to vote on November 5!

GORDON STONE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

DATES TO REMEMBER

GENERAL ELECTION 2024

OCTOBER 21: DEADLINE TO REGISTER TO VOTE



**OCTOBER 29: LAST DAY TO APPLY FOR
AN ABSENTEE BALLOT BY MAIL**



**NOVEMBER 4: LAST DAY FOR VOTERS TO HAND-
DELIVER AN ABSENTEE BALLOT**



NOVEMBER 5: GO VOTE! IT IS ELECTION DAY

ABSENTEE BALLOTS IN THE MAIL MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN NOON ON 11/5

VOTER REGISTRATION

Registering to vote is the first important step to casting your ballot on Election Day. You cannot vote if you have not previously registered.

Citizens can register to vote at any time of the year, except on Election Day or the 14 days prior. In order to vote, the following requirements must be met:

- ★ YOU MUST BE A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES
- ★ YOU MUST CURRENTLY RESIDE IN ALABAMA
- ★ YOU MUST BE AT LEAST 18 YEARS OLD
- ★ YOU DO NOT HAVE A DISQUALIFYING FELONY CONVICTION
- ★ YOU HAVE NOT BEEN DECLARED MENTALLY INCOMPETENT BY A COURT

There are several ways to register to vote.

- ★ VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATIONS CAN BE SUBMITTED AT www.alabamavotes.gov
- ★ THE VOTE FOR ALABAMA APP
- ★ PUBLIC LIBRARIES
- ★ ARMED FORCES RECRUITING STATIONS
- ★ BOARD OF REGISTRARS OFFICE LOCATED IN THE COUNTY SEAT OF THE VOTER'S COUNTY OF RESIDENCE
- ★ WHEN APPLYING FOR OR RENEWING A DRIVER'S LICENSE

For college students, keeping voter registration up-to-date is important. The Higher Education Partnership encourages students to register to vote in the county where they attend school to avoid having to vote by absentee ballot or driving to their home county on Election Day.

College students can notify voter registration officials (the local Board of Registrars) of any change in voter name or address.

THE DEADLINE TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN THE NOVEMBER 2024 GENERAL ELECTION IS OCTOBER 21.

TYPES OF ELECTIONS

THERE ARE FIVES TYPES OF ELECTIONS IN ALABAMA

1. PRIMARY ELECTION: This election is held by the state's two political parties to select each party's nominee for the general election. The voter must choose which political party he or she would like to vote and will select the ballot for that party.

The Primary Election for statewide offices is held every four years in June, while the Primary Election for President is held in March.

A Primary Election Runoff may be necessary if no one receives a majority of the votes cast for a particular position. The runoff election is usually several weeks after the primary election.

2. GENERAL ELECTION: This election is held to determine which candidate will be chosen for office. Voters may choose candidates from any political party, but can only choose one candidate per office.

3. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ELECTION: This election is held for constitutional amendments.

4. SPECIAL ELECTION: A special election is held to place specific issues on the ballot for voters or to fill a vacancy for certain types of elected offices.

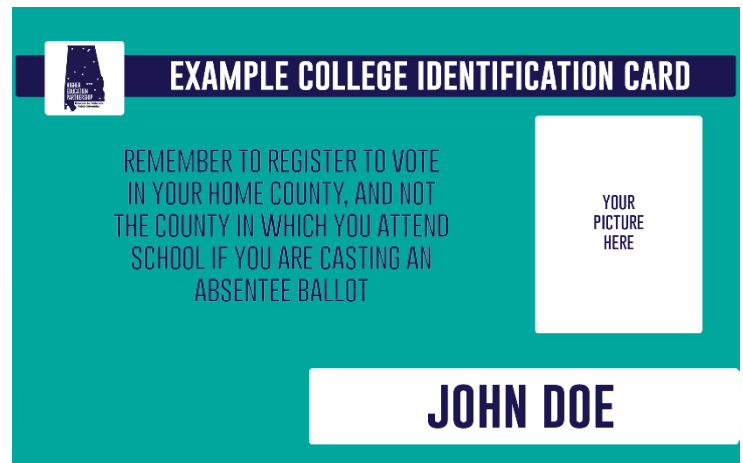
5. MUNICIPAL ELECTION: Elections for municipal office are held every 4 years. Municipal elections may include roles like the Mayor, School Board members, or City Council members, depending on your town. Municipal elections are nonpartisan. To determine specific details related to municipal elections, contact the city clerk of your municipality.

THE VOTING PROCESS

PHOTO VOTER ID: A GOVERNMENT-ISSUED PHOTO ID IS REQUIRED TO VOTE.

Acceptable forms of photo ID include:

- ★ ALABAMA DRIVER'S LICENSE
- ★ ALABAMA NONDRIVER ID
- ★ ALABAMA PHOTO VOTER ID CARD
- ★ STATE ISSUED ID
- ★ FEDERAL ISSUED ID
- ★ U.S. PASSPORT
- ★ EMPLOYEE ID FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, STATE OF ALABAMA, COUNTY, MUNICIPALITY, BOARD OR OTHER ENTITY IN ALABAMA
- ★ STUDENT OR EMPLOYEE ID FROM A PUBLIC OR PRIVATE COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY IN ALABAMA
- ★ STUDENT OR EMPLOYEE ID ISSUED BY A STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING IN ANY OTHER STATE
- ★ MILITARY ID
- ★ TRIBAL ID



TIME TO VOTE: Election Day voting hours are 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Voters will receive a voter information card prior to the election with the address of the polling place.

ABSENTEE VOTING: A voter may cast an absentee ballot if they are unable to vote in their registered precinct on Election Day. To receive an absentee ballot, you must first file an Absentee Application. Information about absentee voting can be obtained at your local probate judge's office.

- ★ FOR THE NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTION, ABSENTEE VOTING BEGINS SEPTEMBER 11
- ★ FOR THE NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTION, ABSENTEE VOTING APPLICATIONS CLOSE OCTOBER 29