

# Connect

### **Your Vote Matters**

A voting guide for Charleston County high school students

# Can I register?

To register to vote in Charleston County, you must be:

- A U.S. citizen for at least one month before Election Day
- Turning 18 years old by Election Day
- A resident of Charleston County

# How do I register?

There are several ways to register to vote in Charleston County, including:

- In person at our office in North Charleston, or at other government offices like the DMV
- 🗡 Online by using your driver's license
- By sending a completed registration form to our office (email, fax, mail)

## Reach out to us:

#### Charleston County Board of Voter Registration and Elections

Call(843) 744-8683Emailoutreach@charlestoncounty.orgBrowsechsvotes.gov

Office Address 4340 Corporate Road North Charleston, SC 29405

Office Hours Monday - Friday 8:30AM - 5:00PM

Mailing Address PO Box 71419 North Charleston, SC 29415

### Follow us:









@charlestonvotes











#### How do I vote?

Charleston County offers multiple voting options to citizens, including:

- In person on Election Day at your polling location
- In person at an Early Voting Center in Charleston County during the early voting period
- By mail with an absentee ballot (if you qualify)

#### Who do I vote for?

Who or what you vote for is totally up to you! Your name is not attached to your ballot in any way. In South Carolina, you do not pick a political party when you register.

#### Where do I vote?

If you are not voting absentee, you can vote early at any Charleston County early voting location. Or, you can vote at your polling place on Election Day.

#### Can my parents help me?

Your vote is your voice. Unless you request assistance while at your polling place, you will enter the voting booth and make your own selections on your ballot.

#### When do I vote?

You may know about presidential elections every four years, but dozens of other important elections take place in between. Term lengths and limits vary by office. There are also referendums, which are questions citizens vote on.

Elections take place every year in Charleston County. To view upcoming elections, visit CHSVotes.gov

#### Why should I vote?

Having the ability to choose who represents you in office is a sacred freedom that is vital to American democracy. The people you elect today will make decisions that will impact your life for decades to come.

Additionally, voting in your local elections will give you a firsthand look at the actions of those you vote into office as they help shape your community.



#### What is a student poll manager?

A student poll manager assists our team by working at a polling place on Election Day. Each student poll manager receives \$200 and may be eligible for school credit for each election worked.

#### Can I serve?

To be a student poll manager, you must:

- Be at least 16 years of age
- Obtain permission from a parent or guardian
- Attend training
- ✓ Pass an online certification test
- 🧹 Work the entire Election Day

#### How do I apply?

Reach out to our team at electionworkers@charlestoncounty.org, or apply online on CHSVotes.gov.

