

GET OUT THE VOTE

in Virginia

Voting is one of the most powerful ways to make your voice heard in our democracy, but in 2024, only 64% of the voting-age population in the United States reported voting.

Modern technology has improved access to information on candidates and made it easier to register to vote in many areas, and it is vital to be aware of how you can participate in the 2026 election cycle.

PRIMARY ELECTION TYPE:

Open

In an open primary, voters may choose privately in which primary to vote and do not need to register with the party to vote in their primary. This system permits a voter to cast a vote across party lines for the primary election if they choose.



ABSENTEE AND MAIL-IN VOTING PROCEDURES

Permanent absentee/ mail-in voting procedures:

- Excuse required to request an absentee ballot
- Applications can be submitted by mail, in-person, email, fax, or online

EARLY VOTING:

Begins



May 1

Ends



June 13

PRIMARY ELECTION DAY



JUNE 16



DEADLINES TO KNOW FOR VOTING IN

Virginia



VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE:

June 5

11 days before the election. Same-day registration is permitted during early voting and on Election Day.

ABSENTEE / MAIL-IN VOTING BALLOT DEADLINES:

Request must be received by

June 5

11 days before the election for online or mail requests; 3 days before the election for in-person requests.

BALLOT SUBMISSION DEADLINE:

Postmarked by Election Day

Must be received before noon on the third day after the election if postmarked by Election Day.

HOW YOU CAN REGISTER TO VOTE IN VIRGINIA

To register to vote in Virginia, visit the State Board of Elections website for more information on voter eligibility and the registration process.

STATE ELECTION OFFICE

You can begin the registration process through Virginia's Online Voter Registration System.

ONLINE VOTER REGISTRATION