

2020 General #WEVOTE Squad Guidelines

Step 1: Champions, make your list!

- PICK your “Starting FIVE” or “Top TEN” people in your networks who need your help voting.
 - Craft a list that’s bigger than 10 first, then look up their voting history ahead of time at demnc.co/lookup to help you whittle it down. At this link, just type in their first and last name to find them in the State Board of Elections database.
 - Identify friends and family members who have:
 - Never voted
 - Voted in 2008 or 2012 but did not vote in 2016
 - Voted in 2018 but did not vote in 2016
 - Expressed concerns about being able to vote in 2020
- PRO-TIP: Think of students, nieces and nephews, anyone 18 on or before Election Day (Nov. 3) in your life and help to make them a lifetime voter by beginning in 2020.

Step 2: Contact everyone on your list! If you’re seeing folks in person, do it then! Otherwise, call or text.

- Below is the flow of all the questions you need to get through to make sure that your friends and family are prepared to vote, logistically. If it’s a philosophical question about morals or values, that is where you bring in your relationship with this person to meet them where they’re at in conversation, and help them understand why their vote truly matters!
- If you need to quell COVID-related fears, you can always say: ***“In 2020, you can vote early IN-PERSON or BY MAIL to protect your health and your vote.”***
- While you have these conversations, track all the important information about this voter at demnc.co/squadinput so that we can send them anything new about elections as it may come up!

Conversation Flow

1. **FIRST, LET’S MAKE SURE YOU’RE REGISTERED TO VOTE** (walk through demnc.co/lookup and look for their status as “active” and at the address they want to still be registered)
 - YES, they’re registered (“active” or “inactive”)
 - NO, they need to register for the first time, or update it (“removed” or not listed).
 - That’s OK, you have options:
 - Online (if internet and DMV ID) at demnc.co/ovr

- Print Form at demnc.co/register (if no internet or no DMV ID) to mail or hand deliver to county BOE
- Early Voting (same-day registration and voting in just one stop)
- The deadline is Oct. 9th! Unless using same-day registration.

2. NEXT, LET'S DETERMINE HOW YOU ARE GOING TO VOTE.

- EARLY VOTING IN-PERSON: Worried about mail-in voting or your registration status? Concerned about the USPS? Don't worry — you can vote early in-person!
- More Pros!
 - Sites will offer masks, sanitization, single-use pens, and more.
 - You can register and vote at the same time.
 - You have more options: sites, hours, and weekends. It runs Oct. 15 - 31. Find your options at demnc.co/voteearly.
 - Many more folks can vote early from their cars in 2020. You can vote curbside if you can't reach the voting room due to age, a physical or mental disability, or you have COVID symptoms, can't wear a mask, or have a medical condition that puts you at greater risk of COVID.
 - VOTING EARLY BY MAIL: If you don't believe it's safe for your health to go in person, I understand! You can still vote by mail.
 - You should request your ballot ASAP!! And then vote your ballot right when you get it, and turn it in ASAP too! This gives you the most security.
 - Do you have a lot of questions or feel confused about the process? If so, I can have a DemocracyNC absentee-dedicated volunteer to follow up with you!

3. IF EARLY VOTING IN-PERSON, MAKE A PLAN TO VOTE (Remind them that the fewest people typically vote during the first week of Early Voting and during weekdays. Take advantage and PREP: visit ncvoter.org for sample ballot and voter guides)

- WHEN AND WHERE WILL YOU GO? (Look up their county options demnc.co/voteearly)
 - PLAN A: date/time/location
 - PLAN B: backup date/time/location
 - (Plan B won't be documented on the demnc.co/squadinput form, but it's still good to talk through!)