

# 2024 Election



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## Be an Unstoppable Voter

North Carolina is having an election this year for local, state, and federal positions. The winning candidates will create policies that affect your life. **Vote in the Primary AND General Elections!**

## Election Day

**Primary Election** — Pick who's on the ballot for the General Election

**Early Voting** will be *Thursday, February 15 to Saturday, March 2, 2024*

**Primary Election Day** will be *Tuesday, March 5, 2024*



**General Election** — Pick who represents you in the years to come

**Early Voting** will be *Thursday, October 17 to Saturday, November 2, 2024*

**Election Day** will be *Tuesday, November 5, 2024*

Voting questions? Visit [ncvoter.org](https://ncvoter.org) or call **888-OUR-VOTE (888-687-8683)**.



# Top 10 Tips

## *For Voting*

**1.) Register** — You can register to vote at your current address—online or by print form—25 days before Election Day, or in person at an Early Voting site (*but NOT on Election Day*). A 17-year-old may register and vote in the Primary Election if they will be 18 by the General Election on November 5, 2024. Update your registration if you move. For more rules, visit [ncvoter.org/register](https://ncvoter.org/register).

**2.) Bring Your ID** — You now need to show an NC driver's license or other "acceptable photo ID" to vote with a **regular** ballot (*not a provisional one*) due to a ruling by the NC Supreme Court. A free ID can be obtained at your local County Board of Elections. Learn more, including what IDs are acceptable and exceptions, at [www.gotidnc.org](https://www.gotidnc.org).

**PRO-TIP:** Check now to make sure your registration is current so you're ready to vote at [ncvoter.org/lookup](https://ncvoter.org/lookup).

**3.) Vote Early** — Many counties offer Early Voting. You can register AND vote on the same day during the 17-day Early Voting period ONLY. Fill out a form at your county's EV site and show one of the following with your name + address: current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, other government document or one issued from the institution that issued the photo ID that you use to satisfy the voter photo ID requirement. Find your site at [ncvoter.org/voteearly](https://ncvoter.org/voteearly).

**4.) Election Day** — Polls are open 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on the Primary (*March 5, 2024*) and General Election Day (*November 5, 2024*). Vote **at your assigned polling location**, NOT an Early Voting location. Lines are longest 7-9 a.m. and 4-7:30 p.m. If you are in line by 7:30 p.m. you can vote. Stay in line! Visit [ncvoter.org/lookup](https://ncvoter.org/lookup) to find your Election Day polling location.

**PRO-TIP:** Due to the voter ID ruling, mail-in absentee voters must send a copy of an acceptable photo ID with their ballot request or with the returned ballot OR an affidavit noting lack of access to a method to attach a physical copy of the identification card to the written request as a reasonable impediment.

**5.) Vote By Mail** — Any registered voter may vote by mail (*also known as “absentee” voting*). Learn the latest rules about what you’ll need and who can help you vote by mail at [ncvoter.org/absentee](https://ncvoter.org/absentee).

**6.) Been Locked Up?** — If you have been convicted of a felony, you get back your right to vote once you have completed your sentence, including probation, post-release supervision, and parole. Fines, fees, and restitution alone do not make you ineligible to vote. You just register and vote like any eligible voter, and you don’t need a special document that says your rights are restored. Please call **877-880-VOTE** for the latest rules. Learn more at: [ncvoter.org/notlockedout](https://ncvoter.org/notlockedout).

**7.) Assistance** — A close family member may help you vote; voters with a disability or difficulty reading may get help from anyone (*except their employer or union agent*). You have the right to vote curbside from your vehicle if

**7.) Cont.** — you can't reach the voting room due to age, a physical or mental disability, or you have COVID-19 symptoms, can't wear a mask, or have a medical condition that puts you at greater risk of COVID. Problems voting curbside? Call **888-OUR-VOTE**.

**8.) Back-Up Plan** — If you go to the wrong precinct and do not have time to get to your correct precinct, you can cast a provisional ballot. If you are told that you cannot vote a regular ballot for another reason, you have the right to vote a provisional ballot. Ask for it! You also have the right to ask for an ID exception form if you aren't able to obtain an ID when voting. If you are denied a provisional ballot, call **888-OUR-VOTE (888-687-9683)** immediately.

**PRO-TIP:** Review your sample ballot and nonpartisan voter guides at [ncvoter.org](https://ncvoter.org) for more on your local races.

**9.) Vote Your Entire Ballot** — Remember, you're not just voting for the President — judicial and local elections can directly impact your life. You can take a cellphone or paper list into the polls to help remember your choices for each elected office, but no photos are allowed. If you mess up your ballot, just ask for a new one.

**10.) Check Your Registered Party Affiliation and Vote Accordingly** — In an NC Primary Election, you must vote in the primary for the party with which you are registered. Unaffiliated Voters in NC can choose the party's primary in which to vote: Democratic, Republican, or Libertarian. (*Green Party and No Labels Party have not opened their primaries to unaffiliated voters*).

