

# "Our democracy is at stake. Voting Matters... It's up to you." President Barack Obama

Upcoming Election: Tuesday, Nov. 8. Vote for your Congressperson in the U.S. House of Representatives.

*Thanks to Democratic leadership in Virginia's General Assembly, voting has been made more convenient than ever. Here, we make "Voting 1, 2, 3 Easy," for voters all across Virginia.*

## **1: Check your Voter Registration**

**CLICK:** <https://vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation/Lookup/status> to verify your **Congressional District** & Polling Place (they may have **changed** in 2021 redistricting) and to update your address or name if either has changed. (If you moved over the last year but missed the 10/17/22 deadline to update your address, you can **STILL update your address when you go to vote**, at any Early Voting location for your county/city or your local registrar's office (below in red). OR on Election Day, you may update your address at the assigned polling place for your new address (below in red or ask your neighbor if not sure).)

**OR**

**Register as a New Virginia Voter** on Virginia's secure online Citizen Portal:

**CLICK:** <https://vote.elections.virginia.gov/registration/DmvLookup> by 10/17 (If you missed the 10/17/22 deadline to register, you may **STILL register to vote when you go to vote**, Early at any voting location for your county/city or your local registrar's office (below in red) OR on Election Day, at the assigned polling place for your new address (below in red or you're your neighbor if not sure). Bring an ID.)

**CLICK** <https://www.restore.virginia.gov/> to Restore your Right to Vote.

## **2: Plan your VOTE!** All voters may now Vote Early-in-Person or Vote Absentee by Mail, **NO excuse required!**

- **VOTE IN-PERSON, EARLY** (9/23/22 - 11/5/2022) or on **Election Day** (11/8/22)  
**Voting EARLY** is the surest, safest, most convenient option for many voters. Protect your vote against getting too busy, sick, change in plans, bad weather, traffic, METRO delays or long lines. **Just show up** at any Early Voting location in your county/city of registration (**below**). On **Election Day**, you may *only* vote at your assigned polling place, open 6am to 7pm (if in line by 7pm, you may still vote).

Bring a valid **Voter ID** (most voters use a driver's license but some non-photo ID's are also OK; if no valid ID, you may still vote by signing an ID confirmation statement at the

polls when you vote). **CLICK** <https://www.elections.virginia.gov/media/formswarehouse/voter-id/outreach-materials/documents/Voter-Identification-Chart-Rev-4-28-21.pdf>) to see **all Voter ID options**. Seniors & disabled may **Vote Curbside**, without leaving your car, and you may bring a friend or family member to **Help Interpret**, even a child (but not your manager or union boss). To see **Voting Options for Students**, **CLICK** <https://www.elections.virginia.gov/registration/college-student-info/>.

**CLICK:** <https://iwillvote.com/locate/?state=VA> to find **Early Voting & Election Day Voting Times & Locations for your address**, listed from the closest to your residence (click the **blue arrow** on the lower right to see the next closest and so on; many more convenient locations open on 10/27). You may vote at any of them, but **on Election Day, you may only vote at your assigned polling place** (verify in step 1, above).

- **VOTE ABSENTEE BY MAIL** (starts 9/23/22) a good backup if you are absent or not able to physically get to any polling place conveniently. You must apply for an absentee ballot (online or by mail, must be received by the 10/28/22 deadline) and will receive it no sooner than 45 days before the election. You must carefully follow the detailed instructions, filling out all required fields and signing the back of the pre-paid envelope yourself and by a witness (anyone 18 or older may sign as a witness; they need not be an American citizen). Mail back as soon as possible or return by a ballot drop box before 7pm Tue. Nov 8. (If you apply for an absentee ballot, you can still vote in person if you later change your mind.)

For complete, detailed instructions for **Voting Absentee By-Mail**, **CLICK:** <https://www.elections.virginia.gov/casting-a-ballot/early-absentee/>.

**3:** Now, forward and post this "**Voting is easy as 1, 2, 3**" online so friends, family and fellow members of your language, cultural & faith communities can conveniently vote every election like YOU!

**As Democrats, we want every citizen to VOTE so our democracy works for all of us!**

**Disclaimer:** We take great care with translations; each is worked on and reviewed by at least 2 native-speaking volunteers. However, we do not take responsibility for any miscommunications or confusions: voters must contact Virginia's Office of Elections (800-552-9745) or [IWillVote.Com](http://IWillVote.Com) (833-336-8683) for definitive clarifications.