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Election Day: November 7, 2017
Polls are open 6:30am - 7:30pm

WHY SHOULD I VOTE?

Here in the U.S., it's your right to cast a ballot. Whether you are interested in school improvements, better roads, or lower taxes; whether your priority is immigration reform or loosening restrictions on small businesses; whether you're concerned about government accountability, environmental protection, or U.S. foreign policy- the ballot box is where you get to choose your city priorities, your state laws, and our federal policies.

DEADLINES

Voter registration deadline: October 10, 2017
Absentee application deadline: November 4, 2017, 12 p.m.
Absentee ballot deadline: Postmarked by November 17, 2017

HOW TO VOTE

To find out if you are eligible to vote in Ohio, for information on how to register to vote, to find your polling place, and to access online forms, please visit the Secretary of State's website at <https://www.sos.state.oh.us/> or call 1-877-767-6446.

DO I NEED AN ID TO VOTE?

Yes, Ohio law requires voters to present their full name, current address, and provide proof of identity. Acceptable forms of identification include: A valid Ohio driver's license or state ID card; military identification; photo ID issued by the federal government or state of Ohio that displays the voter's name and current address; an original copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or government document. "Current" is defined as within the last 12 months and must include the voter's name and current address.

EARLY VOTING

Ohio allows its residents to cast their ballots in person ahead of election day. Early voting begins October 11th and ends 2 p.m. November 6th. Please note that early voting polling places are often different from Election Day polling places. To find an early voting polling place visit the Secretary of State's website at <https://www.sos.state.oh.us/elections/elections-officials/county-boards-of-elections-directory/>.

ABSENTEE VOTING

In the state of Ohio you may vote by mail if you are unable to make it to the polls on Election Day. Application for absentee ballots can be picked up at your local county board of elections office or on the Secretary of State's website https://www.sos.state.oh.us/globalassets/elections/forms/absentee_request_06-2014.pdf. Your request for an absentee ballot must be received by the county board of elections office by 12 p.m. November 4th. In order to be counted, the absentee ballot must be postmarked by November 6th or you may submit it in person to your county board of elections by 7:30 p.m. on Election Day.

RESOURCES

For more information on voting in your state please visit www.aaiusa.org/ohio.