Get out the vote in South Dakota

Election Day: November 3

Why should you vote?
Voting is one of the most powerful ways to make your voice heard in our democracy, but in 2016, only 61.4% 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 2020 election.

South Dakota’s absentee and mail-in voting procedures

Permanent absentee / mail-in voting procedures:
- No excuse required to request an absentee ballot

2020 state absentee / mail-in voting status:
- Coronavirus updates: Mail-in ballot applications sent automatically to all voters in the June 2, 2020, election; no announced changes for the November 3, 2020 general election.

How can you register to vote in South Dakota?
To register to vote in South Dakota, visit the State Board of Elections website for more information on voter eligibility and the registration process.

To begin the registration process, visit the South Dakota State Election Office’s webpage for more details.