Why should you vote?

Voting is the 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.

West Virginia’s absentee and mail-in voting procedures

Permanent absentee / mail-in voting procedures:

- Excuse required to request an absentee ballot

2020 state absentee / mail-in voting status:

- Coronavirus updates: Absentee/mail-in ballot eligibility in the November 3, 2020, general election extended to all voters.

How can you register to vote in West Virginia?

To register to vote in West Virginia, visit the State Board of Elections website for more information on voter eligibility and the registration process.

You can begin the registration process through West Virginia’s Online Voter Registration System.

Deadlines to know for voting in West Virginia

Voter registration deadline:
October 13, 2020
Twenty-one days before an election

Absentee / Mail-In voting ballot deadlines:
Request must be received by
October 28, 2020
Six days before the election

Ballot submission deadline:
By mail: Postmarked by November 3, 2020 (Election Day) and received by November 9, 2020.

In person: November 2, 2020.

Information is current as of: September 21, 2020