## **LWV High School Voter Registration**

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# Agenda

- 1.Getting Started
- 2. Timeline of Actions
- 3. Tips and Hints
- 4.Presentation



VOTE FOR YOUR FUTURE

# Getting Started

- Establish Relationships.
- Be Flexible.
- Listen to the educators.
- Provide options.
  - Classroom presentation (varied length)
  - Large group presentation
  - Table registration
  - Virtual presentation





# Questions or Comments



## Timeline of School Actions

- Communicate with each school at the beginning of school year.
- Send election materials to all social studies department chairs.
- Post social media notices.
- Communicate again during second semester.
- Reach out to individual schools as needed.
- Email confirmation to each school POC prior to visit.
  - Remind students to have Social Security numbers.
  - Notify parents that voter registration is being offered.



## Timeline of Volunteer Actions

#### A lead contact for HSVR:

- Sends out all communication with schools.
- Establishes schedule for each HSVR event.
- Sets up Sign-Up Genius for volunteers.
- Determines who will be the lead volunteer at each school.
- Communicates with the lead at school event.
- Trains and coordinates with LWV volunteers.



# LWV Steering Committee

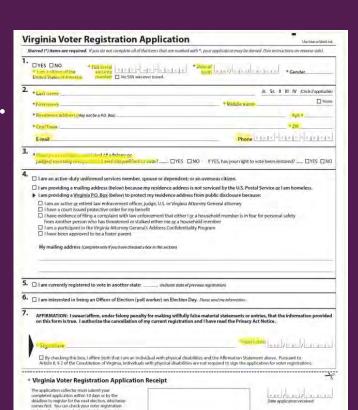
- Meets periodically to plan, schedule, discuss actions needed.
- Recruits volunteers.
- Provides training for classroom presenters and assistants.
- Develops social media materials.



## LWV School Lead

- Brings needed supplies.
- Collects and organizes VR forms (including late forms received by teachers).
- Coordinates LWV volunteers at the school.
- Enters data.
- Takes forms to the local Office of Elections.
- Returns materials.

The school lead volunteer also presents.



# Presenter (s)



- Makes timing adjustments to the presentation as needed.
- Follows script.
- Directs classroom assistants.
   (Reviews procedures at each event.)
  - Reviews VR forms for correctness and legibility with classroom assistants before data is entered.

# Classroom Assistants

Two per classroom

- Sign up for time slots on Sign Up Genuis.
- Organize materials for each classroom presentation.
- Completes classroom cover sheet.
- Follows steps as directed by the classroom presenter re: • distributing and collecting materials.
- Double checks and alphabetizes all forms after presentations.



- Engaging in side conversations during presentation
- Sharing personal information or opinions Taking pictures or videos of students unless initiated by the
- teacher Pressuring students to register

# Questions or Comments



# Tips and Hints!

### **SCHEDULING:**

- Consider school calendar for days to avoid.
- Consider school schedule to establish presentation/volunteer schedule.

### TIMING:

- Check with the school schedule to make sure every class can be accommodated. (Two days per school if on A/B block schedule.)
- Adjust based upon teacher request.
  - Maximum of 30 minutes per classroom.
  - Follow script but allow for teacher intervention or student questions.



# Tips and Hints!

### **PUBLICIZE:**

- Post on Social Media prior to visit as reminder.
- Take pictures of volunteers and post on social media and in LWV newsletters/emails.
- Send thank you emails to teachers and administrators.
- Invite School Board members.

### **SUPPLIES for HSVR events:**

- VR forms highlighted
- Pens! (only blue and black)
- Classroom Cover Sheets
- Go Vote cards
- Receipts



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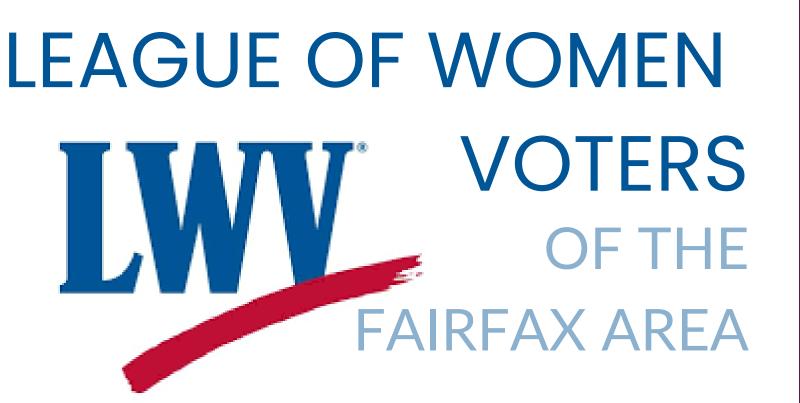




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## Women's Suffrage

HABRIS SE WING WASHINGTON D.C.

1920





## 19th Amendment





# Struggle for Voting Rights

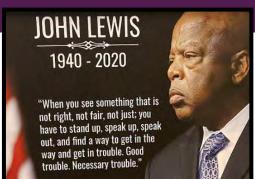
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# Voting Rights Act

1877 - 1968



## Civil Rights Act 24th Amendment



1965





Fight to Lower Voting Age



26th Amendment

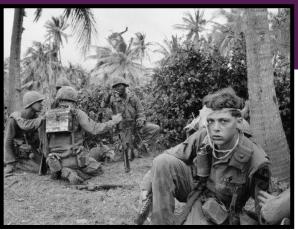




Males aged 18+ drafted

1964

1971



## We the People



Vote to:



Voice our opinion



Impact our government



Elect our leaders

## **Every Vote Matters**



1882 - VA -1: Robert M. Mayo defeated Democrat George T. Garrison, 10,505 to 10,504



2004 – Special election in Radford, VA for commonwealth's attorney was decided by 1 vote



2016 - Vermont house seat decided by 1 vote



2017 - Virginia House of Delegates race was tied, then decided by <u>picking a name out of a bowl</u>



2018 - Baltimore County Executive primary election decided by 17 votes



2019 - Boston City Council Seat decided by 1 vote

# Every

# Election

# Matters

In Virginia we have an election every year!

State and local elections directly affect you in many ways...

- Taxes
   How they are spent
- Public safety Police and protection
- Education Funding, testing, school renovations.
- Public transport
   Fixing roads, adding new bus stops, reduced fares.
- Parks, Rec-Centers, libraries, etc.

  Adding more books to libraries, park renovations
- Environmental Issues Limiting energy use, more environmentally-friendly
- Rules about elections
   Who, where, how to vote IDs needed

## What's on the Ballot?



VA Governor
VA Lieutenant Governor
VA Attorney General
VA House of Delegates

Other items such as referendums (Bonds and other issues) and constitutional amendments.

Research what will be on the ballot ahead of time!

## Who can register and vote?

- Virginia resident
- U.S. Citizen
- 18 on or before November 4, 2025



# Who can pre-register?

- Virginia resident
- U.S. Citizen
- Aged 16 or 17 now, but won't be 18 before November 4, 2025

Students who pre-register will receive notification when they are eligible to vote.

## Parents in the Military?



Ask your parents for advice about where they think you should register- in Virginia or your Home of Record.

Rules may be different in your home state.

Find out about registering in your home state:



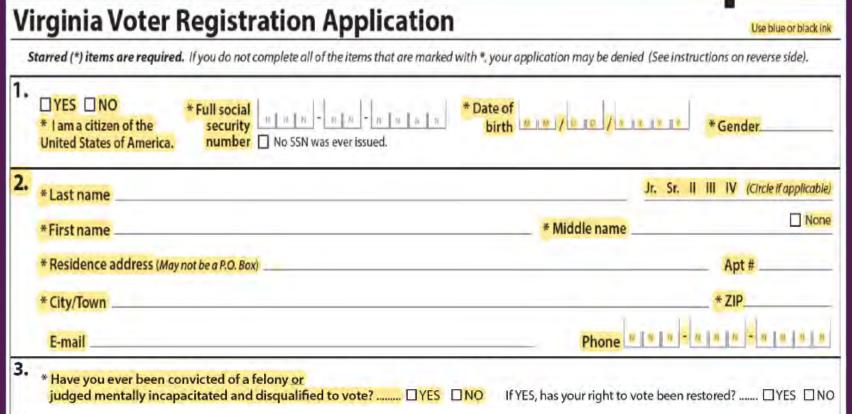
- Go to vote411.org
- Click on register to vote
- Enter your ZIP Code
- Information about registering in a different state will appear

# Voter Registration Form

You must be a
US citizen in
order to
register to
vote

Check the "NO"
box or check
"YES" on having
your rights
restored in order
to be eligible

- Fill out all of the highlighted information
- Use a black or blue pen
- Write legibly in print except for your signiture LEGAL name-



Use your <u>FULL</u>
<u>LEGAL</u> nameLast, First, Middle.
If you don't have
a middle name
check the "None"
box

☐ I am an active-duty uniformed services member, spouse or dependent; or an overseas citizen. ☐ I am providing a mailing address (below) because my residence address is not serviced by the U.S. Postal Service or I am homeless. I am providing a Virginia P.O. Box (below) to protect my residence address from public disclosure because: ☐ I am an active or retired law enforcement officer, judge, U.S. or Virginia Attorney General attorney ☐ I have a court issued protective order for my benefit ☐ I have evidence of filing a complaint with law enforcement that either I or a household member is in fear for personal safety from another person who has threatened or stalked either me or a household member ☐ I am a participant in the Virginia Attorney General's Address Confidentiality Program ☐ I have been approved to be a foster parent My mailing address (Complete only If you have checked a box in this section) ☐ I am currently registered to vote in another state: \_\_\_\_\_. (Indicate state of previous registration) am interested in being an Officer of Election (poll worker) on Election Day. Please send me information. AFFIRMATION: I swear/affirm, under felony penalty for making willfully false material statements or entries, that the information provided on this form is true. I authorize the cancellation of my current registration and I have read the Privacy Act Notice. Signature By checking this box, I affirm both that I am an individual with physical disabilities and the Affirmation Statement above. Pursuant to Article II. 5.2 of the Constitution of Virginia, individuals with physical disabilities are not required to sign the application for voter registrations. Virginia Voter Registration Application Receipt The application collector must submit your completed application within 10 days or by the deadline to register for the next election, whichever comes first. You can check your voter registration status online at www.elections.virginia.gov/register If you do not receive confirmation of your voter registration status within 30 days, contact your local voter registrar or the Virginia Department of Elections. Thank you for applying Name, phone and e-mail of office, group or individual to vote in Virginial receiving application

You don't

have to tear

the bottom

part off. We

will come

around and

give you a

receipt.

Make sure you put <u>TODAY's</u> date

## After you Register

If you are eligible, you will receive notification from the Office of Elections within 30 days. It will include:

- A card with your polling place, if successful.
- Another application so you can try again, if unsuccessful.

If you preregister, you will receive notification when you meet the age requirement to vote.

## Stay Informed

Have any questions such as:

- "Where is my polling place?"
- "Can I vote early?"
- "Where can I apply for an absentee ballot?"
- "Who is running?"
- "What's on the ballot?"
- "How can I get a voter's guide?"

A voter's guide is resource compiling candidate responses/stances on important issues. Reviewing your voter's guide before voting can help you be a more informed voter!



## Be a Voting Advocate



Urge your friends to register and vote!



Keep "Go Vote Cards" and share information with others.





## Show Up to Vote



Request an Absentee Ballot



Virginia Department of Elections



Vote In Person Early



Vote In Person on Election Day

# Questions?

#### Follow us on Social Media



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