

TOP 10 WAYS TO MAKE SURE YOU'RE READY TO VOTE

- 1. Register to vote.**
 - Note sure if you are registered to vote in Connecticut? Check your voter registration status [here](#). Not registered to vote? Register online [here](#). It is quick and easy!
- 2. Think about what issues matter most to you.**
 - With all that is going on in our state, nation, and world, give some thought to what issues you care most about. Do your candidates have similar priorities?
- 3. Follow candidates on social media.**
 - By following candidates on social media or signing up for their email lists, you can receive updates on candidates' campaigns, endorsements, and policy positions.
- 4. Research the candidates.**
 - Find out more about candidates' stances on the issues by checking out their websites and reading or watching the news.
- 5. Communicate with the candidates.**
 - Candidates for state and federal office typically have contact information on their websites. Send them messages asking them about their views on issues that matter to you. If candidates are hosting public meetings (in-person or virtual), use it as an opportunity to ask them a question—check out the “candidate questions” document in our 2020 Voters' Guide.
- 6. Tune into debates and candidate forums.**
 - Candidates for state and federal office will usually have debates. If you cannot attend in-person, many debates will be livestreamed on your local public access station or on social media.
- 7. Talk with your friends, neighbors, and family about voting.**
 - Speak with the people in your life about why voting is important to you and what issues you care about. Sharing your thoughts may help convince someone to learn more about the election and vote.
- 8. Find a way to support your preferred candidates.**
 - If you feel strongly about a candidate, ask for a lawn sign to show your support, make a small donation to their campaign, share information about them on social media, or maybe even submit a letter to the editor about why you support their candidacy.
- 9. Make a plan to vote.**
 - Studies show that people who have a plan to vote are more likely to actually do so. Decide whether or not you will vote in-person or via absentee ballot. If you are going out to the polls to vote, make sure you know your polling location and figure out if you are going to vote before or after work.
- 10. VOTE!!**
 - In 2020, Connecticut's primary elections are held on Tuesday, August 11th and the general election will be on Tuesday, November 3rd.