

# GET OUT THE VOTE

## in North Carolina

Voting is one of the most powerful ways to make your voice heard in our democracy, but in 2024, only 64% 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 2026 election cycle.

### PRIMARY ELECTION TYPE: Open to Unaffiliated

This system allows unaffiliated voters to participate in any party primary they choose, but do not allow voters who are registered with one party to vote in another party's primary.

### ABSENTEE AND MAIL-IN VOTING PROCEDURES

#### Permanent absentee/ mail-in voting procedures:

- No excuse required to request an absentee ballot
- Applications can be submitted by mail or in-person

#### EARLY VOTING:

Begins



February 12

Ends



February 28

PRIMARY ELECTION DAY



MARCH 3



### DEADLINES TO KNOW FOR VOTING IN

## North Carolina



#### VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE:

February 6

25 days before the election. Same-day registration is permitted during early voting.

#### ABSENTEE / MAIL-IN VOTING BALLOT DEADLINES:

Request must be received by

February 17

2 weeks before the election.

#### BALLOT SUBMISSION DEADLINE:

Mail receipt by Election Day

Must be received by 7:30 PM on Election Day.

## HOW YOU CAN REGISTER TO VOTE IN NORTH CAROLINA

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

You can begin the registration process through North Carolina's Online Voter Registration System.

STATE ELECTION OFFICE

ONLINE VOTER REGISTRATION