GET OUT THE VOTE

✓ in **West Virginia**

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:
Partially Closed

State law allows parties to determine whether unaffiliated voters may participate in the nomination contests before each election cycle. In this type of system, parties may let in unaffiliated voters, while still excluding members of opposing parties.
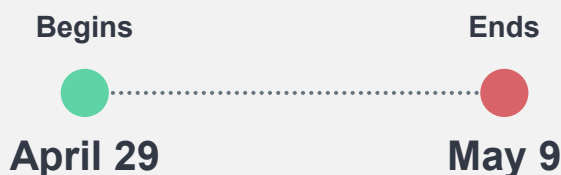
ABSENTEE AND MAIL-IN VOTING PROCEDURES

Permanent absentee/ mail-in voting procedures:

- Excuse required to request an absentee ballot
- Applications can be submitted by mail, in-person, email, or fax

EARLY VOTING:

Begins	Ends
April 29	May 9

PRIMARY ELECTION DAY
MAY 12

DEADLINES TO KNOW FOR VOTING IN
West Virginia

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VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE:
April 21

21 days before the election.

ABSENTEE / MAIL-IN VOTING BALLOT DEADLINES:
Request must be received by
May 6

6 days before the election.

BALLOT SUBMISSION DEADLINE:
Postmarked by Election Day

Must be received before the canvass (which begins on the fifth day after the election) if postmarked on or before Election Day.

HOW YOU CAN 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.

STATE ELECTION OFFICE

ONLINE VOTER REGISTRATION