



Youth Voters' Guide

CAN I VOTE?

If you are a Canadian citizen – you are at least 18 years of age – and you've lived in Saskatchewan for at least six months before the day the election was called, you can vote.

In order to vote all voters must show satisfactory proof of their identity and their place of ordinary residence or have another voter whose name is on the Voters' List vouch for them.

Acceptable ID can be photo ID issued by a government agency with your photo, name

and address (ie. driver's licence) or two original pieces of authorized identification.

Both pieces must have your name and one must also have your address. Example: utility bill, bank statement, correspondence issued by a school, etc.

HOW DO I REGISTER TO VOTE?

This fall, election workers called Enumerators will start collecting information to build a Voters' List.

The Enumerator will visit your home to collect information about you. If you're not home they will leave a card with a phone number to call.

You can either arrange to be home when the Enumerator returns, or call the number on the card to ensure your name is added to the Voters' List.

WHAT IF MY NAME ISN'T ON THE VOTERS' LIST?

If you are qualified to vote, but your name isn't on the Voters' List you can still vote. Go to the poll for your address with photo ID. If your ID doesn't show your street address, you will have to provide proof of your address – a utility bill, or correspondence from a school for example.

You will be asked to make a declaration, and then you can vote.

For more information on acceptable forms of ID go to elections.sk.ca.

What if I'm away at school on Election Day?

If you're going to school in Saskatchewan you can vote in the poll for the address you lived at before you left to go to school, or at the poll for your new address. You have a

choice, but you can only vote in one location.

If you aren't able to vote in either of the polls above, you may be able to vote at an advance poll, or as an "absentee voter".

See the next section for more information on advance polls and absentee voting.

CAN I VOTE IF I AM FROM ANOTHER PROVINCE?

If you are a student from another province, are a Canadian citizen, 18 years of age and have lived in Saskatchewan for 6 months when the election is called, you may be eligible to vote.

Contact Elections Saskatchewan at 1-877-958-8683 to confirm.

WHERE DO I VOTE IF I'M AWAY ON ELECTION DAY?

If you know you're going to be away, you can vote at an advance poll. Go to www.elections.sk.ca for more information on voting opportunities in your area.

If you're unable to vote on Election Day or at an advance poll, you may be able to vote as an absentee voter.

Go to the website or call 1-877-958-8683, toll free in Saskatchewan to get an Absentee Voter Application Form (E-127A).

Complete the application form and submit it along with:

- a photocopy of one original piece of identification issued by a government agency with your photo, name and residential address. Example: driver's licence.**

OR

- **photocopies of two original pieces of authorized identification. Both pieces must have your name and one must also have your address. Example: utility bill, bank statement, etc.**

If your application is accepted you'll receive an Absentee Ballot Kit with all the information you need.

Once an Absentee Ballot Kit is issued to you, you must vote using the ballot kit — you won't be allowed to vote at a poll on Election Day.

WHY SHOULD I VOTE?

There are more than 150,000 people in Saskatchewan between the ages of 20 and 29. If we add in the new and soon-to-be-new voters between 15 and 20, that's more than 225,000 votes. That's nearly half the number of people who voted in the last provincial election.

If all of these young voters showed up on Election Day, they could make a difference.

Even a small increase in the turnout of young voters could have an impact.

It starts with you making sure you show up & vote and making sure your friends show up too.

Questions?

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On November 7, 2011, Your Vote Counts