Elections Fact Sheet

The **Elections Division** of the **Douglas County Office of Clerk and Recorder** provides the following core services to the county's citizens: Voter Registration, Conduct of Elections (National, State, local City and County elections, special districts, school boards, and any other elections as required by Colorado law), Precincting and Boundaries, and Voter Education and Outreach.



Voter Registration

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Colorado allows and encourages preregistration of all eligible voters beginning at the age of 16.

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Additional requirements to register include:

- Be a U.S. citizen
- Be a Colorado resident for at least 22 days before the election
- Must not be serving a sentence of confinement or detention for a felony conviction (Note: Those on probation or parole are eligible to vote.)

Pre-register to vote when you receive your Colorado Driver's License, or online at <u>GoVoteColorado.gov</u>.



Primary & General Elections

The State of Colorado holds regularly scheduled state elections every two years. These elections are held in even-numbered years.

During a regularly scheduled election year, a Primary Election is held in June, followed by the General Election in November.

During a Presidential Election year, a Presidential Primary Election is also held in March.

The purpose of Primary elections is to nominate candidates from each party's primary ballot for the November General Election. The winner(s) of the November General Election are then elected to hold office.



Coordinated Elections

A Coordinated Election is conducted by the County Clerk and Recorder on behalf of two or more political subdivisions that are hosting an election on the same day in November.

Coordinated Elections are held in odd-numbered years.

Like all elections in Colorado, Coordinated Elections are conducted by mail ballot.

Examples of contests on a Coordinated Election ballot are Mayor, City Council, and School Board races and both state and local ballot questions and tax issues.



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High School Voter Registration Challenge

The Colorado Secretary of State's office is the governing body over all Colorado County Clerk and Recorder election offices.

The Secretary of State's office encourages peer to peer non-partisan voter registration, participation, and civic engagement in all Colorado high schools.

Through peer to peer registration, you can earn your high school the Colorado Secretary of State's Eliza Pickrell Routt Award. This award is given to Colorado high schools that have 85% or more of eligible seniors registered to vote.

To apply for the award, keep a list of the seniors at your high school who are preregistered (or registered if 18 years or older) to vote. If the number of students exceeds 85%, you may apply for the award.

If you have any questions please email: EPRaward@coloradosos.gov



Student Election Judge Program

In Colorado, Juniors and Seniors in high school (ages 16 & 17) are able to work at polling places on Election Day as Student Election Judges.

This experience exposes students to grassroots democracy in our community. Serving as a Student Election Judge motivates students to become active voters and to serve as regular election judges when they are adults.

Student Election Judges must be:

- U.S. citizens by the date of the election at which they are scheduled to work.
- Willing to serve long hours on Election Day. Duties start as early as 6:00 AM and can last as late as 9 p.m.
- Physically and mentally able to perform the duties of an Election Judge.
- Able to attend a mandatory Election Judge training session.
- Never have been convicted of election fraud, other election offenses, or fraud.
- Not be related to any candidate on the ballot in the precinct where they are working.
- At least 16 or 17 years old and a Junior or Senior "in good standing" at a public or private high school at the time of the election at which they plan to work. Homeschooled students are also eligible.
- Have the written consent of a parent or legal guardian.

Visit <u>DouglasVotes.com</u> for more information.

Upcoming Elections

The following elections will be conducted by Douglas County Elections in 2023-2024:

Coordinated Election November 7, 2023

Presidential Primary Election March 5, 2024

- The date of the Presidential Primary must be confirmed by the Governor of Colorado no later than September 2023.
- The only contest on both the Democratic and Republican Presidential Primary ballot is the race for President of the United States.

Primary Election June 25, 2024

The purpose of the Primary election is to nominate candidates from each party's primary ballot for the November General Election.

General Election (Presidential Election) November 5, 2024

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