

Empowering and Engaging our Future Voters

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Making The Rules

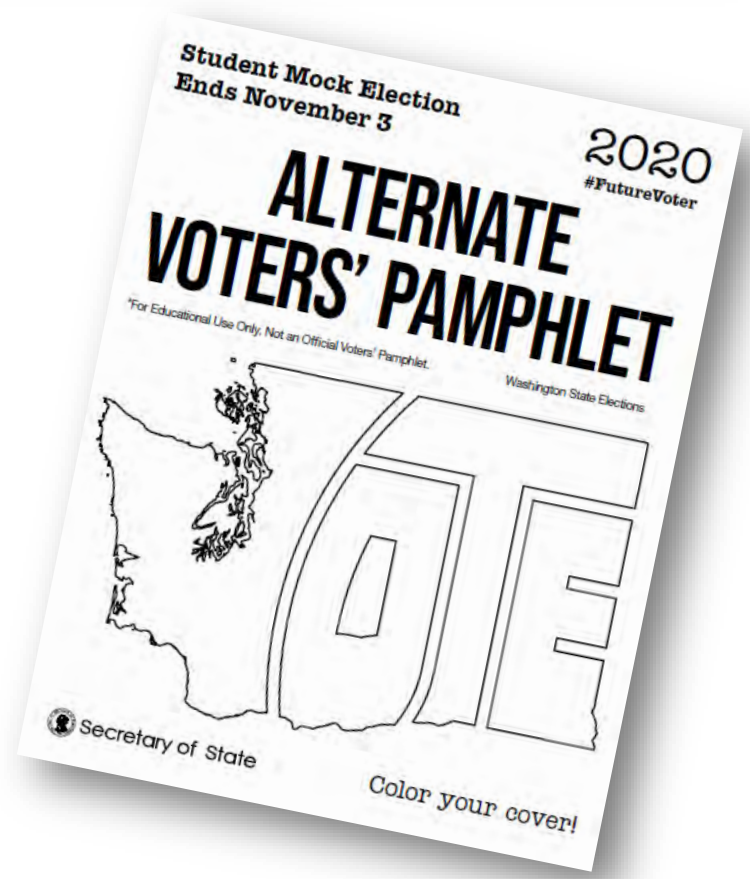
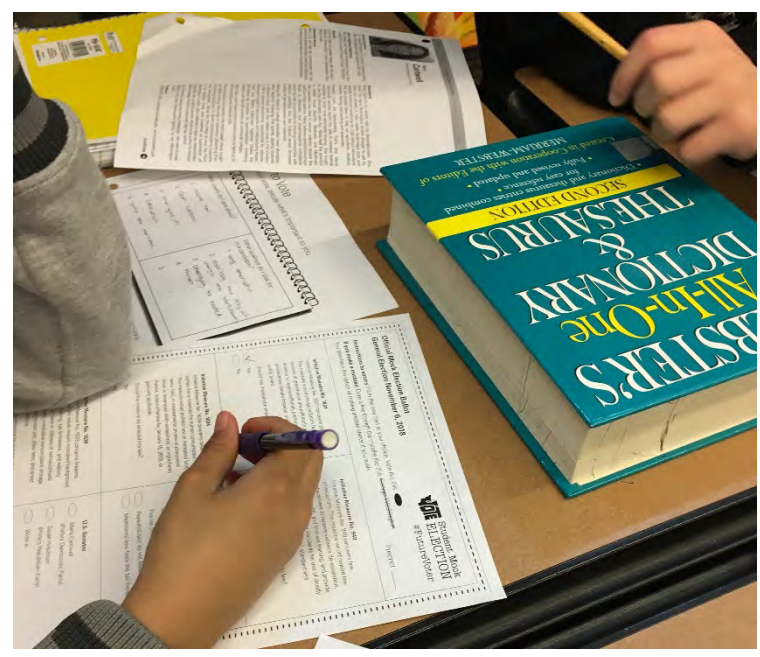
High School

Representation/Responsibility



Student Mock
ELECTION

Opens October 1



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Are you signed up? Look for your official voter identification card and first ballot to arrive in the mail soon after your 18th birthday.

Frequently Asked Questions:

What is the Future Voter program?

How do I qualify for Future Voter?

How do I sign up for Future Voter?

What if I don't have a driver's license?

When can I vote or sign a petition?

What if I turn 18 right before an election?

What if I move, leave the country, go to college?

Is my information private?



What if I'm not 18 yet?



If you are 16 or 17, become a Future Voter!

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Sign up online at VoteWA.gov with your Washington state driver's license or ID. Or, you can fill out a paper registration form using the last four digits of your Social Security number and mail it in. You'll be automatically registered to vote when you qualify.

Every January on Temperance and Good Citizenship Day, high school students 16 and older have the opportunity to complete a voter registration form in class.

Auditor Engagement

#FutureVoter Tips and Takeaways

#Future Voter

- Reach out to your high schools now! Don't wait until closer to January 2020, teachers are putting together their 2019-2020 school curriculum sooner than we think
- Contact the school's principal, introduce yourself and establish a continuing relationship with teachers to schedule election presentations in classrooms
- Communicate with principals and teachers early and provide a clear lesson plan
 - State Resources available (sos.wa.gov/civics)
 - Teaching Elections in Washington State Curriculum book
 - Temperance and Good Citizenship day Teacher Toolkit
 - Student Mock Election Teacher Toolkit
- Reach out to students that you know directly to be trusted messengers
- Engage students in the 'why'... so that a registered voter later becomes a voter
- Include ways all students can participate without feeling unsafe
- Join a school advisory committee
- Community organizations have resources that you can use and love partnering with
 - Connect with your local League of Women Voters. Most are active in schools and sharing resources with teachers.
 - Reach out to other community youth centered groups to get the word out



Temperance and Good Citizenship Day

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Temperance and Good Citizenship Day is January 15, 2021

Observation of Temperance and Good Citizenship Day is meant to promote civics education and peaceful citizen engagement.

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Teacher Resources


Download the complete toolkit or individual components

[Temperance and Good Citizenship Toolkit](#)

[OSPI Resources](#)



Classroom Guide to Voter Registration



Future Voter Program

In 2018, legislation passed (2SHB 1513) allowing 16- and 17-year-olds to sign up to become automatically registered to vote once they turn 18.


Program Eligibility

Participants must meet all of the following requirements in order to register to vote:

- Be at least 16 years old
- A U.S. Citizen
- Legal resident of Washington State

How To

Online




Scan the QR code or visit [VoteWA.gov](#). Registrants will need a current Washington state driver's license or ID card. If they do not have state-issued identification, registration can be made using a paper form.

Paper Registration Form

Download a pdf at [sos.wa.gov/elections/future-voter-program.aspx](#). Registrants will need a current Washington state driver's license, ID card, or last four digits of their Social Security number (SSN). Make sure the registrant signs the declaration and that the signature is clear.


Tips

Address Types




The residential address must be in Washington as it determines which races and measures will be on a voter's ballot. The residential address may be a traditional or non-traditional address. A non-traditional address requires a description of a voter's residence, with enough detail to assign a precinct and locate the voter to confirm their address. PO boxes may not be used as a residential address. The mailing address is where the ballot will be sent, and can be anywhere in the world.

Incomplete Registration

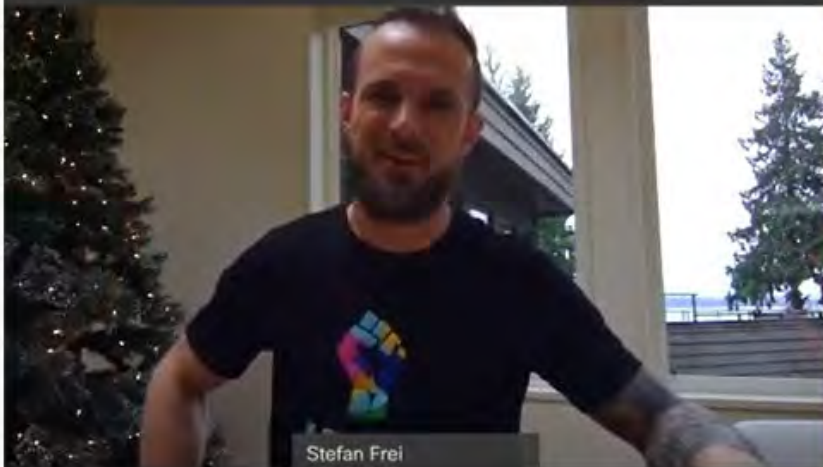


Registrants without a state-issued ID or SSN may leave the section blank but will be asked for alternative ID by their county elections office before registration can be approved.

Completed Registration Forms



Paper registration forms must be returned to an elections office at least 8 days prior to Election Day, and no later than 5 days after completion. Paper forms submitted within the 8-days prior to Election Day will take effect for the next election.



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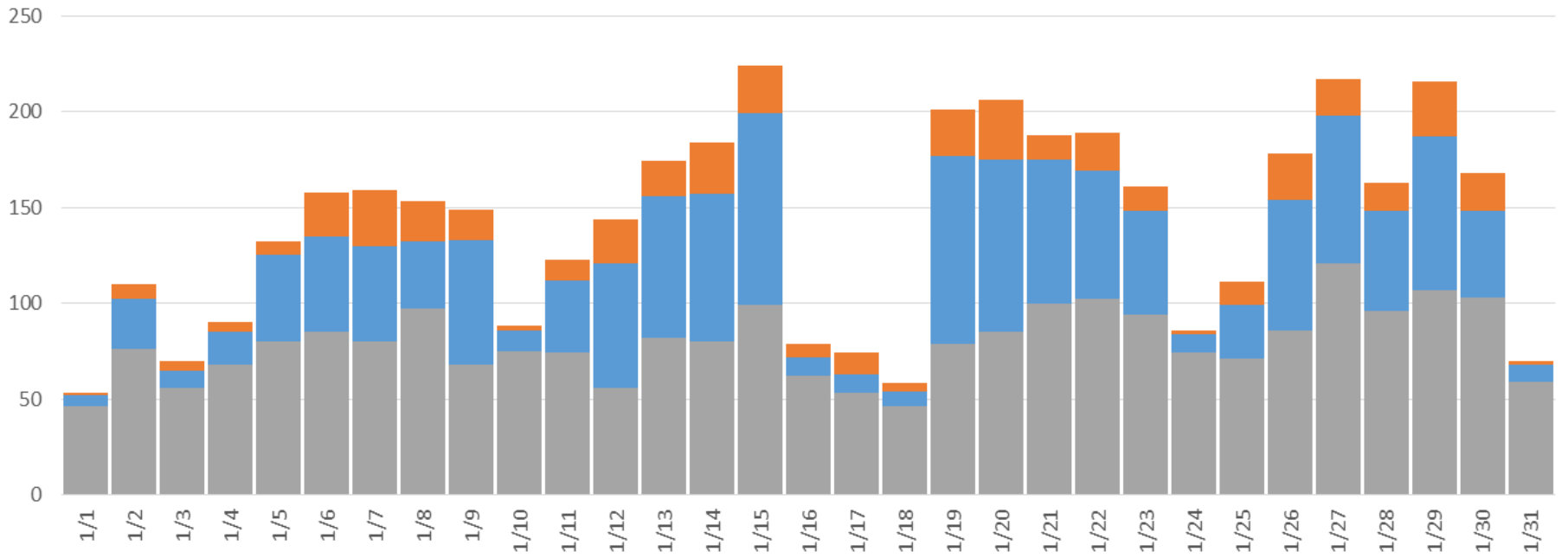
Future Voter numbers

Year	Total Enrollments (16-, 17- and 18-Year-Olds)
2019 (7/1 – 12/31)	47,762
2020 (1/1 – 12/31)	89,723

January 2021

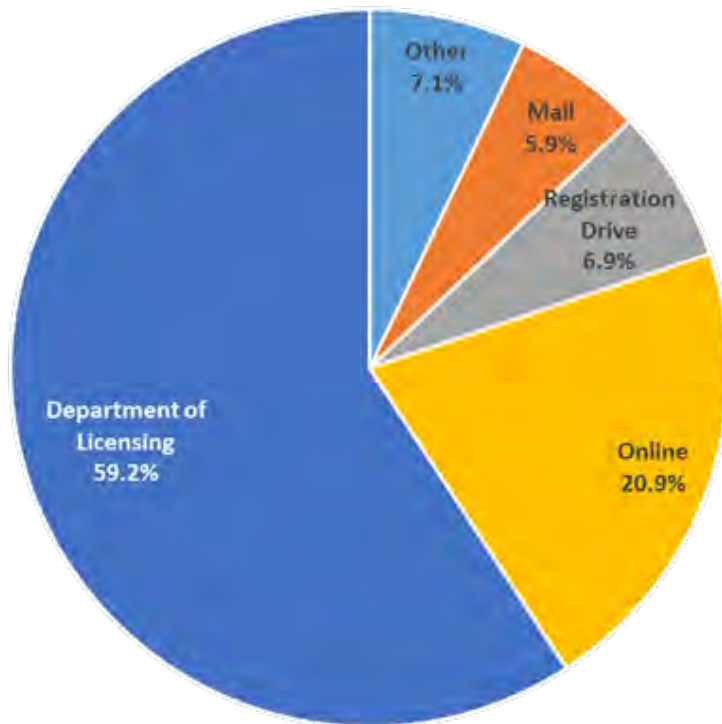
January 2021 Enrollments - 16-, 17-, and 18-Year-Olds

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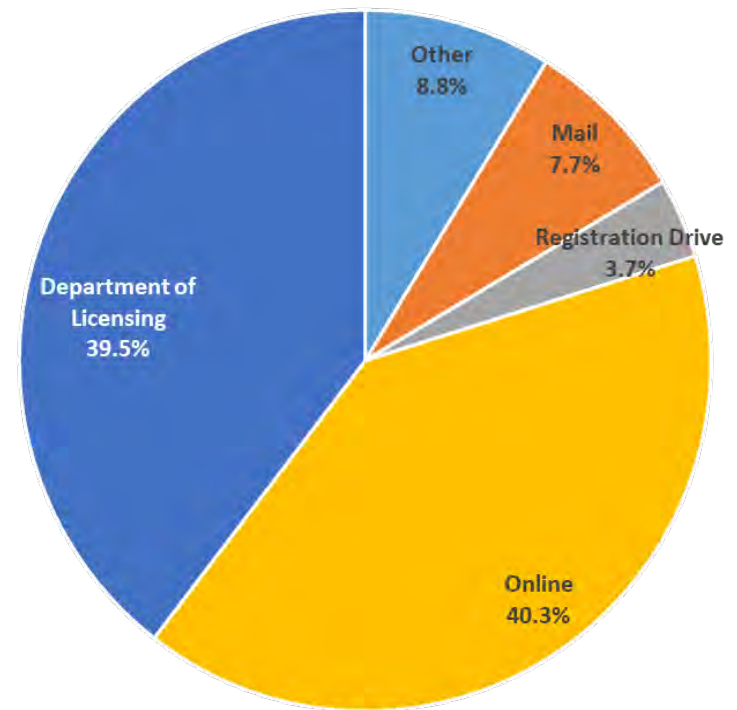


How are students signing up?

2019



2020



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Register today for the upcoming August Primary!

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Active Voter Registrations
4,863,422
as of July 1, 2021

Next Election
August 3
Ballots mailed out July 16

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