2023-2024 California Civic and Election Dates

The Student Civic and Voter Empowerment Act (SCVEA) Overview:

In 2019, the Student Civic and Voter Empowerment Act (**California Education Code §66850-66852; California Elections Code §2148.5**) was enacted to give California colleges and universities the necessary tools to increase civic engagement and participation in democracy among young voters. In 2020, the California Secretary of State Students Vote Project was expanded to support and ensure implementation of the law. The SCVEA requires each California Community College and California State University campus, and requests each University of California campus, to:

- Distribute, in consultation with the California Secretary of State, campuswide emails to all students with specified voting- and election-related dates and information, and to include specified dates on all print and online academic calendars.

- Post on social media reminders to students of specified voter-related dates and information.

- Designate one person per campus as the Civic and Voter Empowerment Coordinator with specified responsibilities, including developing a Civic and Voter Empowerment Action Plan.

For more information on the SCVEA requirements, please view the **Student Civic and Voter Empowerment Implementation Guide** or scan the QR code.

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Please note that all active registered voters in California will receive a vote-by-mail ballot for the 2024 Primary and General Elections. Make sure to register or update your voter registration information as needed at **https://registertovote.ca.gov/?t=s** or scan the QR code.

2024 Primary Election (March 5, 2024)

- **Monday, February 5:** No later than this date, county elections officials shall begin mailing each registered voter a vote-by-mail ballot.

- **Monday, February 5:** Counties offer early voting sites - to find a location and available times, please visit **https://caearlyvoting.sos.ca.gov.**

- **Tuesday, February 20:** Last day to register to vote online or by mail ahead of the Primary Election.

- **Wednesday, February 21 – Tuesday, March 5:** Same Day Voter Registration is available - voters can "conditionally" register and vote at a county elections office or polling location after the voter registration deadline, up to and including Election Day.

- **Tuesday, February 27:** Last day for county elections officials to send a registered voter a vote-by-mail ballot.

- **Tuesday, March 5:** Primary Election - polls shall be open throughout the state from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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California Civic and Election Dates (continued):

2024 General Election (November 5, 2024)

• **Monday, October 7:** No later than this date, county elections officials shall begin mailing each registered voter a vote-by-mail ballot.

• **Tuesday, October 8:** Counties offer early voting sites - to find a location and available times, please visit **https://caearlyvoting.sos.ca.gov.**

• **Monday, October 21:** Last day to register to vote online or by mail ahead of the General Election.

• **Tuesday, October 22 – Tuesday, November 5:** Same Day Voter Registration is available - voters can "conditionally" register and vote at a county elections office or polling location after the voter registration deadline, up to and including Election Day.

• **Tuesday, October 29:** Last day for county elections officials to send a registered voter a vote-by-mail ballot.

• **Tuesday, November 5:** General Election - polls are open throughout the state from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

For information on Same Day Voter Registration, please visit:
https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voter-registration/same-day-reg

For specific dates and deadlines in a county, please contact that specific county's elections office:
https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voting-resources/county-elections-offices

2024 Key Dates:

• **Tuesday, September 17:** National Voter Registration Day
• **TBD:** National Voter Education Week
• **Tuesday, October 29:** Vote Early Day
• **Wednesday, November 6:** Election Hero Day
• **Monday, August 12 – Tuesday, November 5:** 2024 California University and College Ballot Bowl

For information on dates for upcoming elections and special elections, please visit:
https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/upcoming-elections

Contact Us:

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