

## BEING A VOTER GIVES YOU:

- A chance to voice your opinion on issues that will affect you
- A say in who represents you at various levels of government
- A way to establish residency within a particular county in the state

## Do More Than Vote!

You can be even more involved in our community's democratic process by becoming:

**A Board Worker.** Board workers help run elections at individual voting places or by tallying advance ballots. Log on to the Election Office website or call the office to learn more about this exciting opportunity.

**A Candidate.** Make a difference in your community by running for an office. The Election Office can assist you with forms and requirements in our office or through our website.

**A Poll Agent.** Participate in a campaign by observing at voting places and at election canvasses. The form is available on our website.

## ELECTION DATES

**Primary and General Elections** for National, State and County Officers are held in even numbered years:

- **Primary**—First Tuesday in August
- **General**—First Tuesday after the first Monday in November
- **Presidential Preference Primary**—First Tuesday in April in Presidential years

**Precinct Committeemen and Committeewomen** are elected on the first Tuesday in August.

**City and School Board Elections** are non-partisan and are held on the first Tuesday in April of odd numbered years. Primaries, which are held only if needed, are five weeks before the general election.

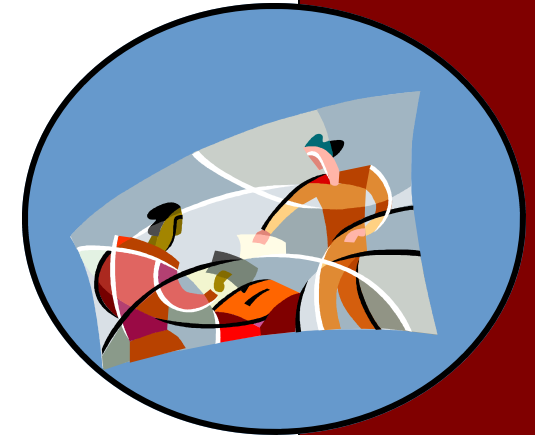


## Sedgwick County Election Office

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## Voting Made Simple

*working for you ... to provide opportunities to register to vote and to participate in elections.*

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## Become a Voter

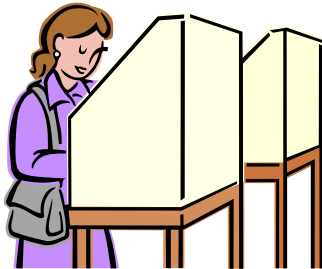
### Step 1: Register to Vote with the Election Office.

To vote in elections you must be registered. You also must be a United States citizen, at least 18 years old by the next general election, and a resident of Kansas and Sedgwick County.

Find the **Kansas Voter Registration Application** online at [www.sedgwickcounty.org/elections](http://www.sedgwickcounty.org/elections); then print, sign, and return it to the Election Office anytime prior to 14 days before an election. Other ways to register are to apply at the Election Office in person, or to contact our office by phone or fax and request an application be mailed to you. Always submit the original registration application; faxes and copies cannot be accepted.

**Step 2: Keep your registration information current.** What you are eligible to vote on is address-specific, so you must re-register every time you move. You also need to re-register if you change your name or political party affiliation.

**Step 3: Vote!** To be a voter, you must vote!



### First-Time Voters

When you register to vote for the first time in Sedgwick County, your identity must be verified before you can vote. Usually this is done while processing your application, but if verification is not completed when you are ready to vote, you will be asked for identification using a driver's license, utility bill, or other document that has your name and current address or name and photograph.

### Choose Your Voting Option

#### Advance Voting:

Vote in advance of the election either by mail or in person. Ballots are mailed beginning 20 days before the election, continuing through the Friday before the election. In-person voting begins 13 days before the election and ends at noon the day before the election.

To Advance Vote, **complete an Application for An Advance Voting Ballot.** To have a ballot mailed, complete the application on the Election Office website and fax or mail it to the Election Office. You may also contact the Election Office and request an application be faxed or mailed to you. If you vote in person, the application is prepared for you at the advance voting site.

**Vote your ballot.** After receiving your application, the Election Office will issue you a ballot. Vote the ballot and return it to the Election Office before 7 p.m. on Election Day.

#### Voting at the Voting Place:

To vote, go to a designated voting place (also called polling place) on Election Day during voting hours: 6 a.m.—7 p.m. State your name and address at a check-in table, sign a Roster, and vote the ballot provided. This option is not available for Mail Ballot Elections.

#### Assisted Voting:

Whether you vote advance or at a voting place, you may request voting assistance when you: have a permanent or temporary illness or disability, lack proficiency in reading the English language, or are 65 or more years of age. The person assisting you must sign an assistance form.

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