This guide will help you participate in Arizona’s March 17 Presidential Preference Election, in which you can help choose America’s Democratic presidential nominee.

In Arizona, you can register by political party or by choosing No Party. Although state primaries are open to independents, to vote in the Presidential Preference Election you must register with the relevant participating party. In 2020, the Democratic Party will participate in this election; the Arizona Republican Party has announced that it will not.

Why this primary matters

You have a chance to determine the presidential nominee for the Democratic Party. Democratic Party delegates are allotted proportionately, with a 15% minimum threshold.

Candidate information

For Republican and Democratic presidential candidate websites, CNN has a complete list. Politico also has a quick guide to Democratic candidate positions.

Eligibility

To register to vote, you must:

• Be a United States citizen (see Proof of Citizenship Requirements information)
• Be a resident of Arizona and the county listed on your registration
• Be 18 years of age or older on or before November 3, 2020
• Have had your civil rights restored, if convicted of a felony
• Not have been adjudicated incapacitated by a court of law

How to register to vote

You can register online at Service Arizona if you have an Arizona driver’s license or non-operating ID card issued by the MVD. If you don’t, you can also register by mail, either printing a form online or requesting it from your county recorder, and then mailing the completed form to your county recorder’s office. You can also register in person at your county recorder’s office.
Arizona’s Voting Rules

ID Requirements for registering

To register, you will need:

- The last four digits of your Social Security number, and one of the following:
- Arizona driver license or non-operating license ID number
- Your tribal ID number
- Your alien registration, naturalization certificate, or citizenship certificate number

If you don’t have an Arizona driver license or non-operating license, you will need to provide a proof of citizenship (when you’re registering for the first time). See page 3 of the registration form for acceptable proofs.

ID Requirements for voting

To vote — whether at the polls on Election Day, at an early voting location, or at an emergency vote center — you will need to bring any one of these photo IDs that includes your name and address. (If you’re a member of a federally recognized tribe, address and photo on your ID are not required.):

- Valid Arizona driver’s license or non-operating ID card
- Tribal enrollment card or other form of tribal identification
- Valid United States federal, state, or local government-issued identification

Or: Two forms of ID without a photo that include your name and address. See this voting page for an official list.

Absentee voting

To vote early or by mail, you can request an early ballot through the Voter Information Portal or through your county recorder. You can have yourself placed on the Permanent Early Voter List by checking “YES, I want to automatically receive an early ballot...” on Box 1 of the voter registration form in person or by mail (see “How to register to vote” above) or through updating your existing registration at Service Arizona.

Address to use for registering and voting

Per federal election law, college students can register and vote at either their campus address or their permanent home address, which may be out of state. However, voters can only be registered at one address. If you are not going to physically be in the state where you plan to vote, you will need to request an absentee ballot.

It’s your choice where to register. Registering at your campus address will not:

- Affect your federal financial aid
- Prevent your parents from claiming you as a dependent on their taxes
- Cost you any scholarships, unless they’re tied to specific residency requirements
- Affect your tuition status as an in-state or out-of-state student.

Key Resources

- State of Arizona elections site
- Register to vote
- Learn about the Presidential Preference Election
- Find your county election officials/polling place
- Arizona Democratic Party
- Arizona Republican Party
- Campus Vote Project – detailed student voting guides by state
- Vote411 – see candidate stands & generate a personalized ballot
- TurboVote or RockTheVote – get voter registration documents & email reminder

MAKE A PLAN!

- Know when, where, and how you will register.
- Know where you will vote.