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Resource
Guide for the
2024
Presidential
Election

Student Resource Guide

- How to register to vote
- Facts on the candidates
- Information about voting in Coles County or your home county



Register to Vote!



General Information: [Eastern Illinois University :: Civic Engagement and Volunteerism - \(American Dream Series\) \(eiu.edu\)](https://www.eiu.edu/civice/american-dream-series)

Requirements to Register:

- You must be a U.S. Citizen and 18 years old at the time of the general election
- You must live in your election precinct 30 days prior to the election
- You will require two forms of ID such as a driver's license or state ID and your social security card



Election timeline:

September 26th- First day to vote early, vote by mail at the, first day to mail in ballots

October 8th- In person voter registration, address/information change closes

October 9th- Grace period registration, voting begins (those who register at the county clerk office must vote there)

October 20th- Last Day for online voter registration

October 28th- Last Day to receive vote by mail applications and mail ballots

November 2nd- Early/grace period registration/voting

November 4th- Last day for early voting

November 5th- Election Day! Polls will be open 6:00 AM to 7:00 PM this day

Voter Registration is Ongoing until October 20th

GET REGISTERED TO VOTE

Eastern Illinois University — we believe that every voice and every vote matters. We hope that every eligible member of our Eastern Illinois University community will register to vote and vote in every election. Thank you for taking this first step to make sure your voice is heard!

Note: Filling out this form alone does not register you to vote. After completing this form, we will direct you to your secretary of state, lieutenant governor, or department of elections website where you will officially register.

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First Name* Last Name*

Street Address* Apartment

City* State* ZIP code*

DATE OF BIRTH

Month* Day* Year*

Email address* Cell phone number

I agree to the Vote.org [Privacy Policy](#) and [Terms of Service](#) *

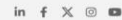
By entering your mobile number and checking this box you consent to receive recurring text messages from Civic Nation with voting information and program updates. Message and data rates may apply. Reply STOP to cancel or HELP for help. [Terms](#) and [Privacy Policy](#).

Convicted of a felony? Visit [Restore Your Vote](#) to determine your eligibility to vote.
Overseas and military voters should visit [Overseas Vote Foundation](#).

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ALL IN VOTE



Voter Resources

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[LEARN MORE ABOUT VOTER ID'S](#)

[Election Protection Hotline: 888-OUR-VOTE](#)

[Convicted of a Felony? Visit Restore Your Vote to determine your eligibility to vote.](#)

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Voter Registration Portal:

Illinois Online Voter Application

State Board of Elections



WELCOME TO THE ILLINOIS ONLINE VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION WEBSITE

The registration period for the online voter registration system will close at 11:59 PM on 10/20/2024 and will reopen on 11/07/2024

TO VOTE IN ILLINOIS:

- You must be a United States Citizen.
- You must be at least 17 years old on or before the date of the Primary Election and turn 18 on or before the date of the General or Consolidated Election (16 year olds may preregister to vote).
- You must live in your election precinct at least 30 days prior to Election Day.
- You must not be serving a sentence of confinement in any penal institution as a result of a conviction.
- You may not claim the right to vote anywhere else.


BEFORE YOU BEGIN...

If you think that you may already be registered to vote, you can check by using the State Board of Election's [Voter Registration Lookup](#).


[Register to Vote or Update an Existing Registration](#)

Non-Partisan Voting Guide: <https://guides.vote>


Featured Voters Guides

 NATIONAL VOTERS GUIDE


2024 President
Kamala Harris (D) vs Donald Trump (R)




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(En Español)

 NATIONAL VOTERS GUIDE


2024 Vice President
JD Vance (R) vs Tim Walz (D)



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 WISCONSIN VOTERS GUIDE

2024 US Senate
Tammy Baldwin (D) vs Eric Hovde (R)



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 OHIO VOTERS GUIDE

2024 US Senate
Sherrod Brown (D) vs Bernie Moreno (R)



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(En Español)

 MICHIGAN VOTERS GUIDE

2024 US Senate
Mike Rogers (R) vs Elissa Slotkin (D)




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 MONTANA VOTERS GUIDE

2024 US Senate
Tim Sheehy (R) vs Jon Tester (D)



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2024 NONPARTISAN PRESIDENTIAL GUIDE 

United States President





KAMALA HARRIS
DEMOCRAT



DONALD TRUMP
REPUBLICAN

	kamalaharris.com	donaldtrump.com
See guides.vote for online guides with links & sources		
ABORTION Ban or legal?	Legal. "Every woman should have the right to make decisions about her own body." "This fight is about freedom." With Biden, strengthened abortion pill access and abortion patient protections , overturned Trump Planned Parenthood federal funding ban. Would sign national abortion rights bill if Congress passed.	Ban. "After 50 years of failure, I was able to kill Roe v. Wade ." Did so by appointing three anti-abortion Supreme Court Justices . It was "a miracle ." States should decide for themselves, potentially monitoring women's pregnancies, and prosecuting women for getting abortions. Abortion is "really not that big of an issue."
CLIMATE CHANGE Should climate change be a top priority?	Yes. We're seeing the climate crisis "every day...in real time." " We must do more ." Cast the deciding vote to commit \$369 billion to climate and clean energy, the biggest investment in US history. Supported \$1.2 trillion in infrastructure ; includes reducing greenhouse gas emissions.	No. Climate change is a " hoax ." The world will "start getting cooler ." Withdrew from the Paris climate pact. Will expand coal and oil production. "I want to drill, baby, drill ." Asked oil and gas executives to donate \$1 billion so he could reverse Biden's climate initiatives.
CRIMINAL JUSTICE How to ensure effectiveness and fairness in law enforcement?	Police are dedicated public servants . As a prosecutor increased felony convictions by one third. But " public safety requires community trust." Has supported better training, banning choke holds, and prosecuting police misconduct.	Police are "under siege." Cut back active federal oversight of excess force, though supported a database to track it. Admires Chinese approach of quick trials and a death penalty for drug dealers so there will be a "zero drug problem."
ECONOMY How to improve the economy and make daily life more affordable.	Expand child tax credit. Give tax credits for affordable housing builders and subsidize first-time home buyers. Restrict price gouging on groceries and lower drug costs by negotiating prices. Supported bipartisan infrastructure bill.	Increase taxes (tariffs) on imported goods. Cut housing demand with mass deportations . To lower prices, would deregulate businesses, rein in "wasteful federal spending" and unleash American energy. Opposed infrastructure bill.
EDUCATION Limit teaching about racism and gender identity?	No. In Florida " extremists... passed a law , 'Don't Say Gay,' trying to instill fear in our teachers." Now, "they want to replace history with lies," teaching "that enslaved people benefited from slavery." Children should be " taught the truth ."	Yes. Certify teachers who " embrace patriotic values." Would " cut federal funding" for any school "pushing critical race theory, gender ideology." Restricted diversity training for federal employees and contractors.
ELECTIONS Did Joe Biden win the 2020 Presidential election?	Yes. "The [election] results were certified by state after state and reaffirmed by court after court." "On January 6, we all saw what our nation would look like if the forces who seek to dismantle our democracy are successful."	No. Called the election a " Big Lie " and a " Massive Fraud " that would justify "termination" of parts of Constitution. Called those who stormed U.S. Capitol " unbelievable patriots ." Would pardon them fully.
GUN LAWS Loosen or tighten gun regulations?	Tighten. "Every person deserves the freedom to live safe from gun violence." Supported the bipartisan gun safety bill and required background checks for gun show & online sales.	Loosen. To NRA, " no one will lay a finger on your firearms." Plans to roll back Biden gun restrictions. Reversed Obama-era background checks for those with mental illnesses.
HEALTHCARE Repeat or expand the Affordable Care Act (ACA), also known as Obamacare?	Expand. " Health care is a right , not a privilege." Cast a tie-breaking Senate vote to expand ACA & lower Medicare drug prices, including a \$35 monthly insulin cost . Would link drug costs to costs that comparable wealthy nations pay.	Repeal. " Terminate ." "Obamacare is a catastrophe ." As President, promised to replace it with "something terrific," but repeal failed in the Senate by one vote. Supported an unsuccessful lawsuit to overturn it.

Coles County Clerk:

<https://www.colesco.illinois.gov/coclerk/elections/>

Voter Registration

For other election information or to register to vote, visit the Illinois State Board of Elections website.

[VIEW VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION](#)

Vote By Mail

Vote by mail applications can be emailed to: vbmrequest@colesco.illinois.gov

[VOTE BY MAIL APPLICATION \(SINGLE-USE\)](#)

[VOTE BY MAIL APPLICATION \(PERMANENT\)](#)

Become an Election Judge


Become an election judge and become a part of ensuring that the election process is administered fairly and in accordance with the law.

[LEARN MORE](#)


Contact Our Elections Department

Phone: 217-348-0524 or 217-348-0523

[EMAIL US](#)




Early Voting Information



General Election – November 5, 2024

COLES COUNTY, IL

Dates	Location	Hours
9/26/24 – 11/4/24 Saturday - 11/2/24 <small>Closed 10/14/24 - Holiday</small>	Coles County Clerk's Office 651 Jackson Ave, Rm 122 Charleston IL 61920 All Coles County Precincts	8:30am-4:30pm 9:00am-12:00pm
9/26/24 - 11/4/24 Saturday - 11/2/24 <small>Closed 10/14/24 - Holiday</small>	United Christian Church 200 Lafayette Ave, E Mattoon IL 61938 All Coles County Precincts	9:00am - 4:00pm 9:00am-12:00pm
10/30/24 – 11/1/24	Eastern Illinois University Martin Luther King, Jr. University Union Bridge Lounge Charleston, IL 61920 All Coles County Precincts	10:00am-5:00pm



County Directory and Information: [Election Hardware, Software & Support | GBS Voting Systems \(gbsvote.com\)](#)



ELECTION RESOURCES

Enabling democracy, and democratizing access to information. Learn with GBS.

Quick-Access Resources

- 
[County Directory](#)
- 
[Key Election Dates](#)
- 
[User Manuals](#)

Coles County

Julie Coe

County Clerk & Recorder

651 Jackson Avenue Room 122
Charleston 61920

(217) 348-0501

jcoe@colesco.illinois.gov

Number of Precincts	44
Registered Voters	29,600

Ways to Vote in Illinois: [All the Ways to Vote in Illinois | U.S. Vote Foundation \(usvotefoundation.org\)](https://www.usvotefoundation.org)

- In person in Coles County or your home county on election day (November 5th)
- Early Voting
- In person Absentee voting
- Mail in Absentee ballot voting





*** **VOTER** ***
EDUCATION WEEK

★ LEARN ABOUT THE UPCOMING
ELECTION AND REGISTER TO VOTE ★

2024

MONDAY, OCTOBER 07

11-2, BOOTH LIBRARY

3-5, BUZZARD ATRIUM

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 08

11-1:30, DOUDNA OVERHANG

3-5, OUTSIDE OF PEMBERTON HALL

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 09

11-1, DOUDNA OVERHANG

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10

11-1, OUTSIDE OF COLEMAN HALL

3-5, BOOTH LIBRARY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11

2-4, LUMPKIN HALL

LEARN MORE:



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Learn More about the 2024 presidential election
from EIU faculty and get your questions answered
at the:



Faculty Panel Presentation

October 21, 7:00 PM

Booth Library West Reading Room

Open to all students

Featuring:

Dr. Bonnie Laughlin

Instructor: Department of History

Dr. Kevin Anderson

Instructor: Department of Political Science

John Morris

Instructor: Department of Political Science

BECAUSE YOUR VOTE MATTERS



**TUESDAY,
OCTOBER 29TH
MLK UNION FOOD COURT,
11-1PM**

NATIONAL VOTE EARLY DAY

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

LEARN WHO IS ON THE BALLOT

GET YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

GO VOTE

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH:



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