

**GEORGIA 2024
ELECTIONS:**

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PURPOSE OF THIS GUIDE

This guide is to get you the info you need to be an informed voter. Whether it's your first time voting or you've voted before, this guide will help you get through the voting process, understand candidates and issues, and make sure your vote counts.

OVERVIEW OF THE ELECTION

The 2024 elections include presidential, congressional, state, and local races. Key dates to remember:

Primary Election:
May 21, 2024

General Election:
November 5, 2024

VOTING METHODS

EARLY VOTING

- **Locations:** Check your county's election office website for early voting locations.
- **Dates:** Early voting begins on October 14, 2024, for the general election.
- **Times:** Typically from 9 AM to 5 PM, but hours may vary by location.

ABSENTEE VOTING

- **Requesting a Ballot:** Request an absentee ballot online, by mail, or in person. Applications are available on the Georgia Secretary of State's website.
- **Deadlines:** Absentee ballot applications must be received by October 25, 2024, for the general election.
- **Submitting a Ballot:** Mail your completed absentee ballot to your county registrar or drop it off at a designated location. Ballots must be received by 7 PM on Election Day.

ELECTION DAY VOTING

- **Polling Locations:** Find your polling place on the Georgia Secretary of State's website.
- **Hours:** Polls are open from 7 AM to 7 PM. If you are in line by 7 PM, you are allowed to vote.
- **What to Bring:** A valid photo ID, such as a Georgia driver's license, state ID, or U.S. passport.

WHAT IS ON THE BALLOT?

ELECTIONS FOR:

PRESIDENT

UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSIONER

GEORGIA STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GEORGIA STATE SENATE

GEORGIA STATE SUPREME COURT JUDGES

SCHOOL BOARDS

MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES

(such as city council, district attorneys, sheriffs, probate court judges, superior court clerks, and more)

CANDIDATES & BALLOT MEASURES

CANDIDATE PROFILES:

Presidential Candidates	Colleen Massey (INDEPENDENT)
Kamala Harris (DEMOCRATIC PARTY): <i>Incumbent vice president</i>	DISTRICT 3
Donald Trump (REPUBLICAN PARTY): <i>Former President</i>	Maura Keller (DEMOCRATIC PARTY)
Candidates for the House of Representatives	Brian Jack (REPUBLICAN PARTY)
	George Cantrell (INDEPENDENT)
DISTRICT 1	DISTRICT 4
Earl Carter (REPUBLICAN PARTY): <i>Incumbent</i>	Hank Johnson (DEMOCRATIC PARTY) <i>Incumbent</i>
Patti Hewitt (DEMOCRATIC PARTY)	Eugene Yu (REPUBLICAN PARTY)
Nicholas Brookins (GREEN PARTY)	
DISTRICT 2	DISTRICT 5
Sanford Bishop Jr. (DEMOCRATIC PARTY): <i>Incumbent</i>	Nikema Williams (DEMOCRATIC PARTY) <i>Incumbent</i>
A. Wayne Johnson (REPUBLICAN PARTY)	John Salvesen (REPUBLICAN PARTY)
David Gregors (LIBERTARIAN PARTY)	

CANDIDATE PROFILES:

DISTRICT 6	DISTRICT 10
Lucy McBath (DEMOCRATIC PARTY): <i>Incumbent</i>	Mike Collins (REPUBLICAN PARTY) <i>Incumbent</i>
Jeff Criswell (REPUBLICAN PARTY)	Lexy Doherty (DEMOCRATIC PARTY)
Elfreda Desvignes (DEMOCRATIC PARTY) <i>Write In Candidate</i>	DISTRICT 11
DISTRICT 7	Barry Loudermilk (REPUBLICAN PARTY) <i>Incumbent</i>
Rich McCormick (REPUBLICAN PARTY): <i>Incumbent</i>	Katy Stamper (DEMOCRATIC PARTY)
Bob Christian (DEMOCRATIC PARTY)	Tracey Verhoeven (DEMOCRATIC PARTY) <i>Write In Candidate</i>
Charles King (INDEPENDENT)	DISTRICT 12
DISTRICT 8	Rick Allen (REPUBLICAN PARTY): <i>Incumbent</i>
Austin Scott (REPUBLICAN PARTY): <i>Incumbent</i>	Liz Johnson (DEMOCRATIC PARTY)
Darrius Butler (DEMOCRATIC PARTY)	DISTRICT 13
DISTRICT 9	David Scott (DEMOCRATIC PARTY): <i>Incumbent</i>
Andrew Clyde (REPUBLICAN PARTY) <i>Incumbent</i>	Jonathan Chavez (REPUBLICAN PARTY)
Tambre Cash (DEMOCRATIC PARTY)	

DISTRICT 12	Candidates for State Senate and House of Representatives
Marjorie Taylor Greene (REPUBLICAN PARTY): <i>Incumbent</i>	Check trusted sources for information about elections for the state legislature.
Shawn Harris (DEMOCRATIC PARTY)	

BALLOT MEASURES

- **Amendment 1, Local Option Homestead Property Tax Exemption Amendment:** vote to provide or not to provide a homestead property tax exemption, which will limit increases in homestead property taxes unless a county, local government, municipality or school system opts out.

What is a homestead property tax exemption?

A homestead exemption is an exemption that lowers taxes on property that someone owns and resides in.

- **Amendment 2, Creation of Tax Court Amendment:** A vote on a state constitutional amendment to create a Georgia Tax Court and provide it with judicial power and statewide jurisdiction, concurrent with higher courts.
- **Georgia Referendum A, Personal Property Tax Exemption Increase Measure:** A vote on whether personal property exemptions from taxes should be raised from \$7500 to \$20,000.

HOW TO RESEARCH CANDIDATES AND ISSUES

TRUSTED SOURCES

- **Georgia Secretary of State's Website** (sos.ga.gov): Official information on candidates, ballot measures, and voting procedures.
- **Vote411.org:** Nonpartisan information on candidates and issues.
- **Local News Outlets:** Reliable local news sources for in-depth coverage of elections and candidates.

QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER

- What are the candidate's key policies? Do they align with your values?
- What experience do they bring to the job?
- What are the potential impacts of the ballot measures on your community?

SIGNIFICANCE OF VOTING

“Voting is crucial for shaping the future of Georgia, especially given the state’s unique position as a catalyst for change in the global south. While Georgia has a rich diversity of thought and innovation, many residents remain unaware of the impact their votes can have, particularly in local elections that directly affect their communities. With over half of registered voters concentrated in the metro Atlanta area, it’s essential for all Georgians—especially those in rural counties—to engage in the electoral process. By participating in both presidential and local elections, residents can ensure their voices are heard and contribute to a more equitable representation of all Georgians.”

- DANIEL ROSEBUD,
New Deal for Youth Partner

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GENERAL VOTING QUESTIONS

HOW CAN I CHECK MY VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS?

Visit the Georgia Secretary of State's website and use the "My Voter Page" tool.

WHAT IF MY NAME IS NOT ON THE VOTER LIST AT MY POLLING PLACE?

Ask a poll worker for a provisional ballot and follow the instructions to ensure your vote is counted.

PROBLEM RESOLUTION

WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I ENCOUNTER ISSUES WHILE VOTING?

Contact the Election Protection Hotline at 1-866-OUR-VOTE (1-866-687-8683) for assistance.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

CONTACT INFORMATION

Contact Information

- Georgia Secretary of State's Office: (404) 656-2871
- Local County Election Offices: Contact information available on the Georgia Secretary of State's website.
- Election Protection Hotline: 1-866-OUR-VOTE (1-866-687-8683)

Websites

- Georgia Secretary of State's Office: sos.ga.gov
- Vote411: vote411.org
- League of Women Voters of Georgia: lwvga.org



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