



Student Voting

in

Johnson
County,
Iowa



May Students Vote in Iowa City, (Johnson County) Iowa?

Yes. Iowa Law states:

“A student who resides at or near the school the student attends, but who is also able to claim a residence at another location under the provisions of this section may choose either location as the student’s residence for voter registration and voting purposes.” 48A.5A(5) Iowa Code

Iowa voter records are open only to those who seek this information for a political or official purpose, including, but not necessarily limited to: political candidates and parties, reporters, political organizations, and the courts.

Who may vote in Iowa City (Johnson County), Iowa?

You must be registered to vote in Johnson County before the registration deadline for the election in which you wish to vote. (Ten days before General and Primary elections, and eleven days before nonpartisan elections.) To register to vote, you must:

1. be a citizen of the United States
2. be a resident of Johnson County, Iowa.
3. be at least 17 ½ years old. (You must be 18 to vote.)
4. not have been convicted of a felony (unless your rights have been restored)
5. not currently be judged “incompetent” to vote by a court.
6. Not register to vote in any other place.

By law, you may only be registered to vote in one place. When you register to vote in Johnson County, any previous voter registration will be cancelled. If you discover, you are registered to vote in two places, please contact your Auditor immediately.

How do I register to vote?

You must complete and sign an Iowa Voter Registration Application and then bring it or mail it to the Johnson County Auditor’s Office.

Required information on this form includes:

- The two boxes at the top of the form declaring you are a U.S. citizen and will be 18 years old on election day must be checked.
- An Iowa driver’s license number must be entered, if you have one. If not, the number of your State of Iowa non-driver ID card is required. If you have neither of these, you must

enter the last 4 numbers of your social security number. If you have none of the above, enter “None” in this space. When you mail your form (rather than bringing it to us in person) entering “None” will require that you provide proof of identity.

- Date of birth.
- Sex (female or male).
- Full name (as it appears on your Iowa driver’s license).
- Address where you live (this must be in Johnson County, Iowa)
- Mailing address, if different from where you live.
- Signature and the current date
- Previous voter registration information.

After your Voter Registration Application has been processed, a Voter Registration Card will be mailed to you. It is usually mailed within two weeks after your Application is received in the Auditor’s Office. This card is your registration receipt and lists your polling place for regular elections and for school elections (which is different for some voters). It is not necessary to bring your card with you in order to vote.

How do I vote absentee?

Iowa law allows any eligible voter residing in Johnson County to request an absentee ballot from the Johnson County Auditor's Office. If you prefer to be registered to vote someplace else (rather than register at your Johnson County address), you must contact the Elections Commissioner in that jurisdiction for an absentee ballot.

There are a number of ways to vote by absentee ballot in Johnson County, Iowa.

By Mail

An absentee ballot by mail must be requested in writing on the State of Iowa "Official Absentee Ballot Request Form." This form is available at the Auditor's Office or may be downloaded at: www.jcauditor.com.

In Person:

You may vote an absentee ballot in person at the Auditor's Office forty days before an election (or when ballots are available, whichever happens first), during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

You may also vote in person at a satellite voting station. The Satellite Schedule will be posted to our website: www.jcauditor.com as the schedule is set.

If you are a patient in a hospital, you may contact the Auditor's Office, and a ballot will be brought to you on election day.



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Please Note:

Political parties and other political and/or community groups recruit potential voters by distributing and collecting Voter Registration and Absentee Ballot Request forms. While these groups provide a valuable public service, they are not employees or agents of the Auditor's Office. Submitting a voter registration application to a member of one of these groups does not guarantee it will be delivered to the Auditor's Office. If you do not receive a Voter Registration Card within two weeks after giving someone an Application, please contact the Auditor's Office. If you do not receive an Absentee Ballot within five days of giving someone your Absentee Ballot Request, notify the Auditor's Office as well.

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