

Ohio Secretary of State

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Description:

As Ohio's chief elections officer, the Secretary of State oversees the elections process and appoints the members of boards of elections in each of Ohio's 88 counties. The Secretary of State supervises the administration of election laws; reviews statewide initiative and referendum petitions; chairs the Ohio Ballot Board, which approves ballot language for statewide issues; canvasses votes for all elective state offices and issues; investigates election fraud and irregularities; trains election officials, and works with counties to train poll workers. The Elections Division of the Secretary of State's office also compiles and maintains election statistics, political party records and other election-related records.

The Secretary of State's website has a special section for voters where you can check your voter registration, update your registration information or register to vote; connect to your local Board of Elections office; get information about early voting in-person or by mail; find your polling location; learn about identification requirements at the polls; and get information for overseas military personnel, disabled and hospitalized voters.

The office publishes several publications, including:

[2012 Voter's Access Guide](#)

[2012 Options for Voting](#)

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