

# Election Myths & Facts

**✗ I can vote at any precinct I want on Election Day.**

**✓** On Election Day you must go to your home precinct as listed on your Voter Registration Card. However, if you are voting during Absentee One-Stop Early Voting period you can go to any site across the county!

**✗ There is a polling place on campus, that must be my precinct!**

**✓** Your polling place is determined by your residential address. While the polling place on campus may be convenient for you, if W24 is not your home precinct you DO NOT vote there. Make sure you check your voter registration card before Election Day to determine where you should go to vote!

**✗ I don't need to update my registration when I come to college/every time I move.**

**✓** If you moved for college but still consider your permanent address to be your hometown, you do not have to register in NHC. If you choose not to update remember that you will need to either return home to vote, or vote absentee by mail! If you do register in NHC you will need to update your registration with your new address each time you move to insure you stay actively registered.

**✗ I'm unaffiliated, that means I can't vote in the Primary Election.**

**✓** North Carolina has semi-closed primaries, meaning that registered voters may only vote in their own party's primary. Not only are Unaffiliated voters able to vote in the Primary Election- they also have the choice of which party's primary they wish to vote in!

**✗ The only way to "actually" vote is in-person on Election Day.**

**✓** In NC there are actually 3 different ways to successfully cast a ballot. You can vote in-person on Election Day, but you can also vote in-person at one of the One-Stop "early voting" sites OR apply to have an absentee ballot mailed to an address of your choice!

**✗ The only elections that matter are presidential elections.**

**✓** Presidential Elections are important, but they certainly are not the only elections that matter! Municipal and Midterm elections also impact your day-to-day life. Make your voice heard on the local, state & national level by voting!

**✗ I get all my information from my friends/teachers/social media. They're usually right, so I trust that they know how elections work.**

**✓** While these people may be helpful along the way, the best way to find accurate information relating to upcoming elections is to visit:

**[www.nhcvote.com](http://www.nhcvote.com) & [www.ncsbe.gov](http://www.ncsbe.gov)**

