

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Let's go out and energize some voters!

Are you ready to get back out into the world and help our community engage in voting? We need you! The voter services committee has lined up a number of voter registration events this summer. Come and tell your voting story and connect with others so they can become passionate about voting too.

Connect with Students

At Washburn University we will meet with new students to make sure their voter registration is up to date. We'll help them understand the gravity of the upcoming elections. The more people engage in voting young, the more likely they will become lifelong voters.

Connect with Community

We've planned numerous community events throughout the summer. We'll meet shoppers and art lovers alike at NOTO's First Friday Art Walks and Hi-Crest Market. We'll talk with military enthusiasts at Heartland Military Day. Many other community events are in the works this summer too and we need your help!

Upcoming Events

- May 17, 6-7 pm Voter Services meeting, Topeka & Shawnee County Public Library, Menninger Room
- May 24, 3-4:30 pm New Student Orientation's Resource Fair, Washburn Memorial Union Café
- May 26, 3-4:30 pm New Student Orientation's Resource Fair, Washburn Memorial Union Café
- June 1, 3-4:30 pm New Student Orientation's Resource Fair, Washburn Memorial Union Café
- June 3, 3-4:30 pm New Student Orientation's Resource Fair, Washburn Memorial Union Café
- June 3, 5-8 NOTO First Friday Artwalk at Arts Connect, 909 N Kansas Ave
- June 4-5, TBA Mulvane Art Fair
- June 5, 2-4 pm Cookoff at Rice Community Center
- June 9, 3-4:30 pm New Student Orientation's Resource Fair, Washburn Memorial Union Café
- June 11, 3-4:30 pm New Student Orientation's Resource Fair, Washburn Memorial Union Café
- June 11, 9-11 am Hi-Crest Market at SENT, 455 SE Golf Park Blvd on the playground
- June 11, TBA Heartland Military Day at Kansas National Guard Museum, 125 SE Airport Dr
- June 11, morning Juneteenth Celebration Parade
- June 21, 6-7 pm Voter Services team meeting at Topeka Shawnee County Public Library
- July 1, 5-8 NOTO First Friday Artwalk at Arts Connect, 909 N Kansas Ave

Sign Up to Volunteer

[Join POINT \(https://dash.pointapp.org/sign-in\)](https://dash.pointapp.org/sign-in) to keep up-to-date on all our events and sign-up to volunteer. POINT app is available on Android and Apple platforms as well as a web version. If you have trouble getting connected on the POINT app, contact Susan Quinn at susanquinn916@gmail.com or 785-608-5137.

Help others find their voting voice this summer!

The Fine Print

Looking for more information about **exactly** what we do at these voter outreach events?

What we specifically do at these events:

Connect

- Talk to people about why voting is important to our community and how their involvement in the voting process is vital to a healthy community
- Connect with others by telling your personal voting journey, but throughout the conversation, stay as neutral and non-partisan as possible

Ask about Voter Registration

- Specifically, ask them if they are registered to vote
 - If they are registered, ask if their address or name changed, which requires a new voter registration
- Show them how to look up their voter registration and voting history online at KSVotes.org or VoterView via myvoteinfo.voteks.org/voterview

Give information

- Give them information about upcoming dates for the election cycles
 - Many times we'll have wallet cards or bookmarks with the dates
- Remind them about the steps in the voting process, like:
 - Bringing their ID
 - Their voting rights if they arrive at the polls before closing, but haven't made it through the line yet
 - Mail-in ballot specifics
 - Post-mark date deadlines
 - No extraneous markings other than vote selection on ballot
 - Envelope signature requirements
 - Use the envelope provided with their name on it
 - Placing their ballot, and only their ballot, in their envelope

Answer questions

- Answer any questions about the voting process or policy questions on upcoming elections
- If they have questions about candidates, we suggest ways to find out more information including:
 - Attend candidate or policy forums
 - Prior to the primary and general elections multiple organizations host candidate forums open to everyone
 - Research candidates or policies online
 - Candidates post their positions on their websites
 - Vote411.org is a non-partisan website by LWV
 - Openstages.org gives you information about how elected officials vote
 - Often newspapers and groups interview candidates and post their answers online and in the newspaper

- Many meetings are recorded via video and you can watch public proceedings online via YouTube or on the governmental websites
 - Ask trusted family and friends
 - Call the candidates themselves – they will gladly answer your questions in most circumstances
 - Look at a sample ballot prior to voting
 - You can view sample ballots online starting 45 days prior to election or you may request a sample ballot at your local election office or at your polling place
 - To view sample ballots online, visit: myvoteinfo.voteks.org
- If they have concerns of time constraints, show how to apply online via KSVotes.org for a mail-in ballot
- Additional questions may be answered by the Secretary of State's FAQ information online
 - Hand them the answers from the SOS FAQ found at sos.ks.gov/elections/elections-faq.html

Encourage a voting plan

- Encourage them to make a plan to vote using VoterToVoter.org

We specifically do NOT do at these events:

- Tell them who to vote for/against
- Tell them what policy to vote for/against
- Argue with people about their political beliefs
- Give any commentary about our personal political beliefs
- Register voters via paper applications to vote
- Fill out any voter registration materials for others