



ACLU
Delaware

EVERY VOTE COUNTS

A multi-year effort to amend Delaware's constitution and ensure Delaware becomes a beacon of democracy and strong voter engagement.

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Expand and Protect Early In-Person Voting & Vote-by-Mail

1 in 4 Delawareans have relied on absentee ballots, vote-by-mail ballots, or early in-person voting in statewide elections in 2022 and 2023.

Implement Same-Day Voter Registration

In 2018, the Center for American Progress estimated that if Delaware had same-day registration, there would have been 22,259 additional voters in the 2018 election.

Fight Felony Disenfranchisement

As of 2024, felony disenfranchisement affected 6,214 voters in Delaware, 53% were Black, and 58% were no longer incarcerated.

Our 2025 Key Legislation

Senate Bill 2

Guarantees Delaware's early in-person voting period is safeguarded.

Senate Bill 3

Allows all registered voters to vote absentee without needing an excuse and protects permanent absentee voter status.

House Bill 88

Allows the General Assembly to determine voter registration deadlines without disenfranchising constitutional limitations.

House Bill 180

Restores voting rights to people with felony convictions after imprisonment and removes barriers like literacy tests and residency requirements.



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The Voters

91% of Delawareans say that it is very or somewhat important that candidates share their views on voting rights issues.

The Issues

Our campaign highlights where candidates stand on key voting rights issues, helping voters support pro-democracy leaders.

The Goal

Amending Delaware's Constitution requires two-thirds approval in two consecutive General Assemblies.

Delaware's Voter Access Ranked

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Absentee Voting

Delaware is 1 of 14 states without access to no-excuse absentee voting.

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Voter Registration

Delaware is 1 of 17 states requiring voters to register more than 3 weeks before an election.

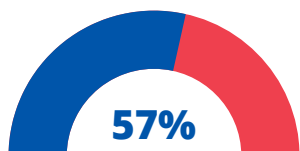
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Felony Disenfranchisement

Delaware is 1 of 12 states that permanently disenfranchises at least some returning citizens.

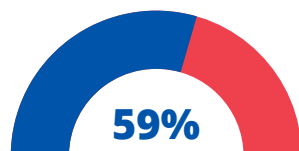
Delawareans Want Voting Reform

Polling* of Delawareans shows that expanding democracy is popular:



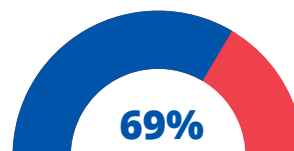
Vote-by-Mail

57% of Delawareans support allowing all voters to vote-by-mail



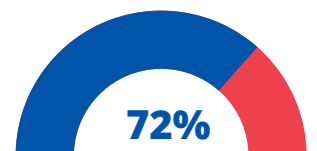
Same-Day Registration

59% of Delawareans support same-day registration



Early Voting

69% of Delawareans support extending the early voting period



Felony Disenfranchisement

72% of Delawareans support restoring voting rights to people with felonies upon their release

*Data from ACLU-DE polling of Delawareans in October of 2023