



# South Dakota Secretary of State

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## Secretary of State Announces the 2026 Primary Election Voter Registration Deadline

**(Pierre, S.D.)** – Secretary of State Monae L. Johnson encourages South Dakotans to register to vote ahead of the June 2, 2026, Primary Election. The deadline to register to vote in the upcoming election is 5:00 pm local time on May 18, 2026.

“Voting is the most fundamental way to participate in our democracy,” Johnson said. “But first, individuals have to be registered to vote. I urge every eligible South Dakotan who isn’t yet registered or needs to update their information to do so with their county auditor by May 18<sup>th</sup>.”

Voter registration in South Dakota is handled by each county auditor. In addition, you may register to vote at one of the following locations:

- Driver’s license exam stations,
- Public assistance agencies providing food stamps, Medicaid, TANF, or WIC,
- Department of Human Services offices that provide assistance to the disabled,
- Military recruitment offices,
- The Secretary of State’s Office,
- Municipal Finance Office.

For information on the steps to register to vote and the new requirements outlined in SB 175, please visit the Secretary of State’s website at <https://sdsos.gov/elections-voting/voting/register-to-vote/default.aspx>. A voter registration form may be downloaded from the website and returned to your county auditor. The deadline for voter registration in South Dakota is 15 days prior to the election you wish to vote in.

Voters may find information pertaining to their registration status, polling location, and absentee ballot status through the Voter Information Portal (VIP), which can be found on the Secretary of State’s website at <https://vip.sdsos.gov/VIPLogin.aspx>. Voters may also view a sample ballot through the VIP.