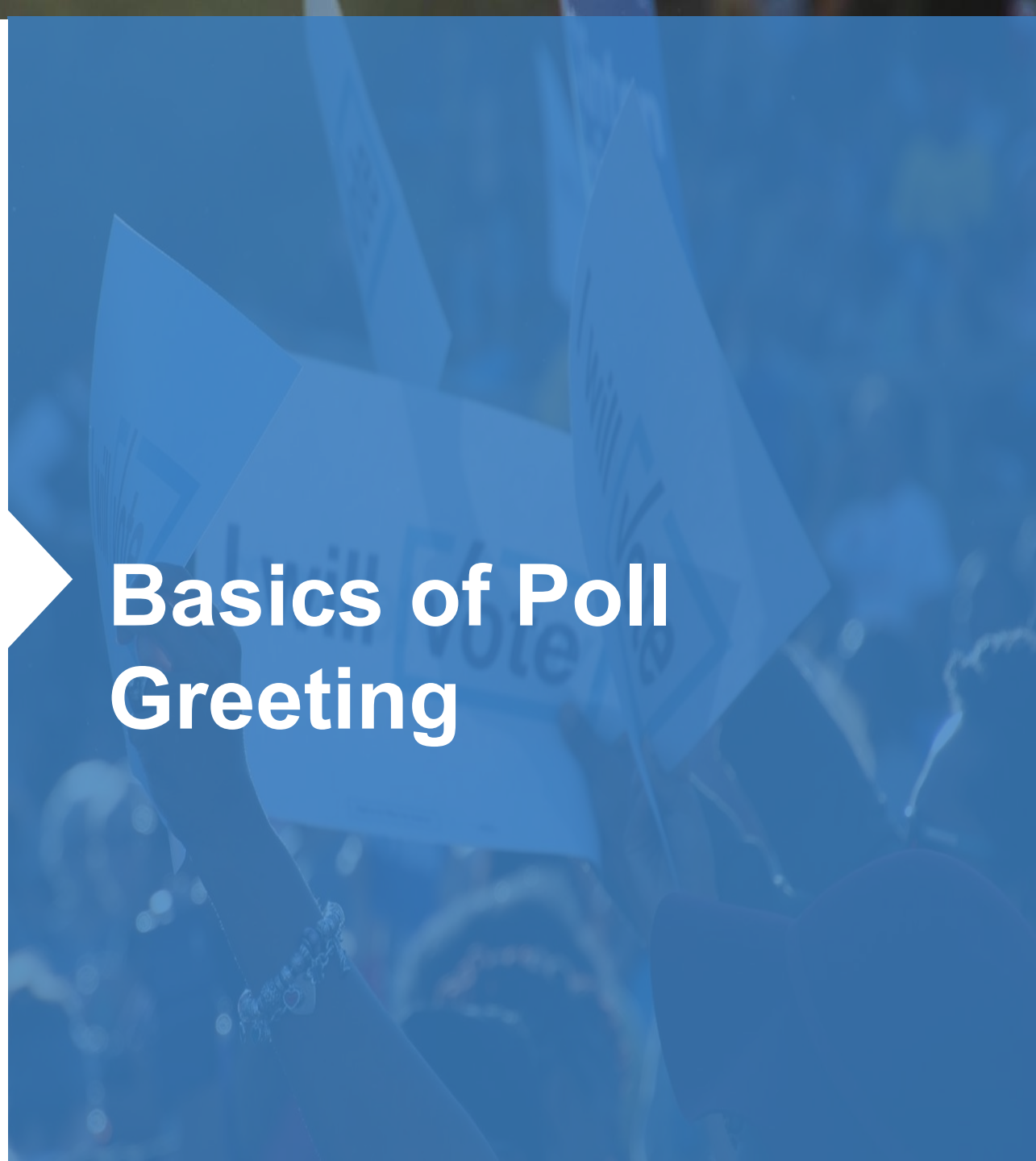
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Basics of Poll Greeting



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Who are Poll Greeters?

- **Poll Greeters are the people standing or sitting outside the polling place at the OCDP table, talking to voters, answering questions, and pointing to literature we hope voters find helpful.**

- **Our job is important because it's our last interaction with the voter before they actually cast their ballot.**

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What do I need to bring with me?

- A jacket and umbrella.
- Water and snacks for you.
- A fully charged phone or tablet.
- Photo ID.
- A desire to have fun and be sociable.

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What are the Expectations of Poll Greeters?

- Project a positive, welcoming attitude.
- **Be on time and complete the entire shift.**
- Wear a vest, lanyard or sticker clearly identifying you as an OCDP volunteer. These will be available at the table.
- Be familiar with Shift Setup/Teardown if beginning or ending a shift.
- Know who to ask if you have questions – contact information for the site coordinator and the OCDP leadership team will be in a 3 ring binder at the greeter table.

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What are the Expectations of Poll Greeters?

- Give out campaign materials and answer questions.
- Offer to review the ballot
    - Look at on the table, open with QR code, take a picture, take a copy
- Remind everyone to vote the whole ballot.
- Thank people for voting.

Be familiar with and respect the 50 ft. Buffer Zone (no electioneering). Encourage everyone at the poll to respect the zone.

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Curbside Voting

Be aware of the curbside voting options at your location.

- Curbside voting is available for voters who are unable to enter the voting place without physical assistance due to age or disability.
- Drivers are not able to vote curbside if it is only a matter of convenience.

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Voter ID Requirements

A Photo ID Is Needed to Vote

Requirements are in the Greeter Manual

Acceptable forms of Photo ID for voters include:

- **North Carolina driver's license**
- **State ID from the NC DMV (also called "non-operator ID")**
- **U.S. Passport or U.S. Passport card**
- **Driver's license or non-driver ID from another state, District of Columbia or U.S. territory (only if voter registered in North Carolina within 90 days of the election)**

If under 65 ID must be unexpired or expired for one year or less. If over 65, may use expired form of acceptable ID if unexpired on 65th birthday.

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Voter ID Requirements

Acceptable Forms of Photo ID (regardless of whether the ID contains an expiration or issuance date) include:

- **Military or veterans ID card issued by the U.S. government**
- **Tribal enrollment card issued by a tribe recognized by the State or federal government**

- **ID card issued by an agency of the U.S. government or the State of North Carolina for a public assistance program**

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Voter ID Requirements

- All approved student and employee ID cards are acceptable statewide for voting.

- NC State Board of Elections has a list of approved student and public employee identification cards for use as photo identification for voting through December 31, 2026 here:

https://www.ncsbe.gov/voting/voter-id/student-and-public-employee-ids-approved-voting

- Only the physical version of UNC One Card can be used for identification. The digital version will not be accepted.

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Voter ID Requirements

NC Voters Who Do Not Have a Photo ID

- **All voters will be allowed to vote with or without an ID.**
- **If an in-person voter does not provide an acceptable ID they may:**
  - **Vote a provisional ballot and bring a copy of an acceptable Photo ID to the County Board of Elections' office by the day before the county canvass (3rd business day after Election Day)**
  - **Fill out an ID Exception Form and vote a provisional ballot**

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EARLY VOTING

Is the Voter in the Right Place?

- Anyone registered to vote in Orange County can vote at any Early Voting site.
    - If a voter lives in Orange County but is NOT registered to vote in Orange County, they can register to vote at Early Voting.
    - A voter will need proof of residency to register to vote.
    - A voter can change the address on their voter registration during Early Voting.
- If a voter lives and is registered in another county, they must vote in that county. Use the Voter Registration Look Up https://vt.ncsbe.gov/RegLkup.

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ELECTION DAY

Is the Voter in the Right Place?

- On election day a voter MUST vote at their at the voting location in their precinct.
- Voters can not register to vote nor change their address on Election Day.
- If the voter lives in Orange County but doesn't know what precinct, the Poll Greeter can look up their voter registration online at https://vt.ncsbe.gov/RegLkup.
- If a voter cannot get to their own precinct on election day, encourage the voter to ask for a provisional ballot.

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Voter Registration Repair Project

The Registration Repair Project is an effort by the State Board of Elections to collect identification numbers from registered voters who do not have an NC driver's license/DMV ID number or social security number in the state's voter registration database.

- **If a voter on the Registration Repair List does not repair their voter registration before the next time they vote, they will be required to cast a provisional ballot and fill out a form with their NC driver's license/DMV ID number or last four digits of their social security number.**
- **The BOE will confirm the voter's N.C. driver's license/DMV ID number, or social security number and if it if it validates, their vote will count.**

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Provisional Voting

When to ask for a provisional ballot.

Early Voting

- **If a voter does not have a photo ID and does not want to fill out an ID Exception Form.**
- **If a voter needed to "repair" their registration.**

Election Day

- **If a voter is registered in another precinct in the county but cannot make it to their precinct in time.**
- **If a voter is sure they have registered, but their name does not appear. This could be a data entry error.**
- **If a voter needs to "repair" their registration.**
- **Voter forgot to register? It's too late. A provisional ballot won't be provided.**

THE BEST WAY TO AVOID PROBLEMS IS TO ENCOURAGE VOTERS TO VOTE IN EARLY VOTING!!

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Sample Ballots November 2026 Elections

There are 2 sample ballots for the November General Election

B0001- Orange County voters in NC House District 50

B0002- Orange County voters in NC House District 56

Identical except for NC House of Representatives District 50 (Renee Price) and District 56 (Allen Buansi)

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JUSTICE ON THE BALLOT

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1 **We ELECT our judges.**

- The power lies with us.

2 **GOP judges (in the majority) aren't standing up for us.**

- Blocked public school $.
- Let Duke Energy hike rates.
- Let legislators rig the maps.
- Tried to overturn an election!

3 **Keep Justice Anita Earls on the Supreme Court.**

- Ruled for fair maps and public school funding.
- Civil rights lawyer, 30 yrs.

4 **90% of cases stop at the Court of Appeals.**

- Only 3 Dem seats left, and all are on the ballot.



Vote for all 4.

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Constitutional Amendments

VOTE AGAINST ALL 3

1. ***Constitutional amendment to require all voters, not just those presenting to vote in person, to present photo identification before voting.***

Why Against: NC law already requires Voter Photo ID. The amendment will make it permanent without providing exceptions for senior citizens and disabled people currently provided by law.

1. ***Constitutional amendment to keep the State income tax rate from being raised higher than three and one-half percent (3.5%).***

Why Against: NC law already sets the individual income-tax rate below the proposed 3.5% cap, and the amendment itself would not lower current taxes. The amendment would limit the ability of future elected leaders to respond to changing economic conditions and state needs.

1. ***Constitutional amendment requiring limits on property tax increases by local governments.***

Why Against: The amendment restricts the power of local governments to decide property tax rates and shifts greater authority over local funding decisions to the state. Placing limits on local governments to decide property tax rates could affect funding of critical needs: law enforcement, emergency medical services, public education, libraries, public transportation, elections and other local services.

Candidate Literature Policy

Poll Greeting Table: Candidate Literature Policy

- **The Orange County Democratic Party supports democratic candidates running for office.**
- **Materials provided by the Orange County Democratic Party and individual democratic candidate materials are allowed to be distributed from the OCDP poll greeting table.**
- **OCDP will not promote or distribute campaign literature that features unaffiliated candidates or voter guides provided by political action groups and media outlets endorsing candidates.**

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Poll Greeter and Poll Observer Roles

- Poll Greeters and Poll Observers have different roles at the Polls.
  - Poll Greeters are at the OCDP table outside the polling place, talk to voters, answer questions, and point to literature we hope voters find helpful.
  - Poll Observers are located inside and outside the polling place. They ensure that voting processes are working smoothly and report issues such as long lines, non-functioning voting machines, access problems for people with disabilities, and voter intimidation.
- Poll Greeters and Poll Observers should coordinate by exchanging phone numbers.
- If Poll Greeter notices problem or a voter comes to the poll greeter table with a concern, Poll Greeters should inform Poll Observers and call the Site Coordinator or OCDP leadership (list in 3 ring binder).
- Greeters can also call the Voter Assistance Hotline at 1-833 868 3462

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Voter and Greeter Safety

- If you witness voter intimidation, do not confront anyone. Report it immediately to the Inside or Outside Poll Observer if present at the site, contact your Site Coordinator or OCDP leadership (list in 3 ring binder) or call Voter Assistance Hotline at 1-833 868-3462.
- Weapons are prohibited by law at Orange County voting locations. Anyone in possession of a firearm or weapon must secure it in a locked vehicle prior to entering or accessing the voting location. ***Section 18-152, Orange County, NC Code of Ordinances.***
- If you feel personally threatened by a clear and present danger, call 911.
- If you feel unsafe, you are welcome to leave the site immediately.

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End of Shift Reporting

Poll Greeters are encouraged to report the following at the end of their shift via text or email to their site coordinator:

- **Concerns with voter's experiences**
- **Attempts at voter intimidation or harassment.**
- **Moments when a greeter felt unsafe, uncomfortable, or threatened.**
- **Moments when a greeter had a great conversation with a voter.**

Did nothing really happen at all? We want to hear that too!

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Voter Assistance

The Voter Assistance Hotline is open to the Public.

It will be staffed during the November Elections.

You can provide the number to voters with questions:

1-833-VOTE4NC

1-833 868-3462

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Who to contact?

EARLY VOTING: If you have any questions or concerns you can contact your early voting site coordinator or Jo Birckmayer:

- **All Sites: Jo Birckmayer** voterexpercoord@orangedems.com
- **Chapel of the Cross: Maureen Corbett** mrosecorbett@gmail.com
- **Hillsborough Commons: Jo Birckmayer** jbirckmayer@msn.com
- **Seymour Center: Caryn Zoffer** carynzoffer@gmail.com
- **Drakeford Library Complex: Karen Macklin** kgzm53@gmail.com
- **Chapel Hill Library: Woody Setzer** woody.setzer@gmail.com
- **Efland-Cheeks Community Center:**
  - **Charles Burham** charles_burnham@msn.com
  - **Kenneth Woods** kennethwoods46@gmail.com

Thank you!! Happy Poll Greeting !!

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THANK YOU!

