

STUDENT REGISTRATION AND PRE-REGISTRATION TO VOTE

I. Statement of Policy

The participation of all citizens in civic decision-making is fundamentally important to maintaining democratic government. As part of the Waterville Central School District's ("the District") civics instruction program, the Board of Education encourages all students to exercise their right to register to vote, if age 18 or over, and to pre-register to vote, if age 16 or 17.

II. Implementation of Policy

The Superintendent shall confer with administrators and secondary-level educators to determine how the promotion of voter registration and pre-registration can be supported as part of the District's civics instruction program and co-curricular activities. If the Superintendent determines that conducting actual voter registration or pre-registration can be done on school premises, during the school day or at other times (such as during extracurricular activities), the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee may actively collaborate with the county board of election to plan and conduct such activities. However, completion or submission of voter registration or pre-registration forms shall not be made a course requirement or a factor in determining any student's grade for a course.

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Waterville Central School District

Legal Ref: NYS Election Law §5-507(2)

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