Get Out the Vote Toolkit for ECE Providers

Access to voting is an equity issue. Children cannot vote, and rely on adults to participate in electing lawmakers who will fight for their wellbeing.

Early Childhood Education programs have power in supporting families and staff registering to vote, learning about candidate issues, and getting to the polls (or drop box) on Election Day. Here are some resources and activities you can take part in to Get Out the Vote!

**For your program:**
- Join the Child Care & Pre-K Voter Project:
  - [https://forms.gle/y98RM76Cp9Qpt85v7](https://forms.gle/y98RM76Cp9Qpt85v7)
  - Child Care Voter | Children Matter Action Fund
- Learn about candidate support of ECE [Candidate Responses 2022 | Children Matter Action Fund](https://www.childrensmatteractionfund.org/candidate-responses-2022)
- Election calendar (page 2)
- Printable voter registration signs (pages 5-6)

**For children:**
- Facilitate voting activities with children:
  - Let's Vote! Talking to Children About Voting | PBS KIDS for Parents
  - Preschoolers can vote - preschool voting activities ([thingstoshareandremember.com](http://thingstoshareandremember.com))
  - Election and Voting Activities for Kids - ([teachersbrain.com](http://teachersbrain.com))
- Books about voting (see pages 3-4 for additional titles)
  - 14 Children’s Books on Voting ([momscleanairforce.org](http://momscleanairforce.org))
  - 10 Great Children's Books About Voting and Elections ([bookriot.com](http://bookriot.com))
- Submit children’s artwork for Get Out the Vote lawn signs! Check out this folder to get started. [https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1SVbvVNNNhglJ4SM4OMFRTffZKdt3RQt?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1SVbvVNNNhglJ4SM4OMFRTffZKdt3RQt?usp=sharing)

**Voting information:**
- General PA Voting Information to share with families & staff: [https://www.vote.pa.gov/](https://www.vote.pa.gov/)
- Information for first-time voters: [A First-Time Voting Guide for Students and Other Newcomers](https://publicservicedegrees.org)
- Learn who is on your ballot: Committee of 70 Voter Guide ([seventy.org](http://seventy.org))
- Mail in Ballot information [https://vote.pa/info/mail/](https://vote.pa/info/mail/)

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### Fall 2022 ELECTION SEASON CALENDAR

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#### Four weeks left to register to vote on Election Day.

- Post registration forms at your center.
- Talk with staff/colleagues about getting out the vote.
- Implement GOTV activities with children to build excitement.

**For more GOTV resources, go to** [https://www.firstup.org](https://www.firstup.org)

#### Two weeks left to vote.

- Set up a “Five Minute Table” in your program and ask all your parents if they are registered.
- Send home registration forms with all families and post links on your website or social media accounts.
- Remind families about absentee ballots and how to apply for them.

**Visit** [https://vote.pa.gov](https://vote.pa.gov) for voter registration info.

#### Three days till the voter registration deadline at 5PM on October 24.

- Check in with unregistered staff/colleagues who have talked about registering.
- Ask staff to remind parents about registering in the morning when they bring their children in.
- Begin planning for extended hours on Election Day

#### One week left to apply for an absentee ballot, which must be received by November 1.

- Prepare to send home a Halloween or harvest goody bag with each child.
- Include a flyer from First Up inviting parents to educate themselves about voting in PA Elections.

#### Election Day Eve

- Put a big poster up on your door reminding parents of election hours.
- Make final arrangements for Election Day coverage that will allow all parents and staff to vote.

**For candidate info, visit** [https://ballot.seventy.org](https://ballot.seventy.org)

#### Election Day

- Provide staff/parents with Get Out the Vote stickers to wear on Election Day - get printable stickers at [https://www.firstup.org](https://www.firstup.org)
- Encourage everyone to wear a GOTV sticker.

- Implement your coverage plan.
- Have beverages & snacks available.
Children’s Books About Voting

Vote for Our Future! (Hardcover)
By Margaret McNamara, Micah Player (Illustrator)

V Is for Voting (Hardcover)
By Kate Farrell, Caitlin Kuhwald (Illustrator)

Sofía Valdez, presidenta tal vez / Sofia Valdez, Future Prez (Los Pregunteños / The Questioneers) (Hardcover)
By Andrea Beaty

Sofía Valdez, Future Prez (The Questioneers) (Hardcover)
By Andrea Beaty, David Roberts (Illustrator)

Lillian's Right to Vote: A Celebration of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (Hardcover)
By Jonah Winter, Shane W. Evans (Illustrator)

Granddaddy’s Turn: A Journey to the Ballot Box (Paperback)
By Michael S. Bandy, Eric Stein, James E. Ransome (Illustrator)
Grace for President (Grace Series #1) (Hardcover)
By Kelly DiPucchio, LeUyen Pham (Illustrator)

Grace Goes to Washington (Grace Series #2) (Hardcover)
By Kelly DiPucchio, LeUyen Pham (Illustrator)

Sofia Valdez and the Vanishing Vote: The Questioneers Book #4 (Hardcover)
By Andrea Beaty, David Roberts (Illustrator)

Voting books on video
Vote for our Future Read Aloud-
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zySSy_oZ3WY

Lillian’s Right to Vote-
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yP6Wf3OJIYk

Grace for President by Kelly DiPucchio-
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I66IvC_Bm1Vw

Sesame Street: Election Day-
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LRw4iuq498Y

Mini’s First Vote -
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dfpx2PXWJwl
Register to Vote!!
Election Day is November 8

Our Vote is Our Power
Scan the QR Code to check your registration status
Registro para Votar!!
El día de las elecciones es el 8 de noviembre

Nuestro voto es nuestro poder
Escanee el código QR para verificar su estado de registro