



# **GOTV in Mississippi**

# First things first

## Register to vote:

- Go to: [vote411.org/pflag](https://vote411.org/pflag)
  - Check your registration status
  - If you are not registered – REGISTER NOW.
  - Find information about who is eligible to vote in Mississippi
- When you register you will be asked for your current address and ID Number (driver's license, state ID, or social security number).
- The voter registration deadline in Mississippi is **October 7**.



# Voter Identification

In Mississippi, photo IDs are required to register and cast a ballot.

- If you do not already have an acceptable form of photo ID, you can get a free Mississippi Voter Identification Card at any Circuit Clerk's Office.
- Voters whose names do not appear on the poll book or who don't have an acceptable ID can vote by affidavit ballot.
- For more information visit: [vote411.org/pflag](https://vote411.org/pflag)
- There are resources available to help:
  - **Legal Defense Fund:** [voting.naacpldf.org/voting-rights/prepared-to-vote/mississippi/](https://voting.naacpldf.org/voting-rights/prepared-to-vote/mississippi/)
  - **Vote Riders:** <https://www.voteriders.org/freehelp/>

## Acceptable Photo ID

Driver's license

US Passport

Voter ID Card

Tribal photo ID

Military ID

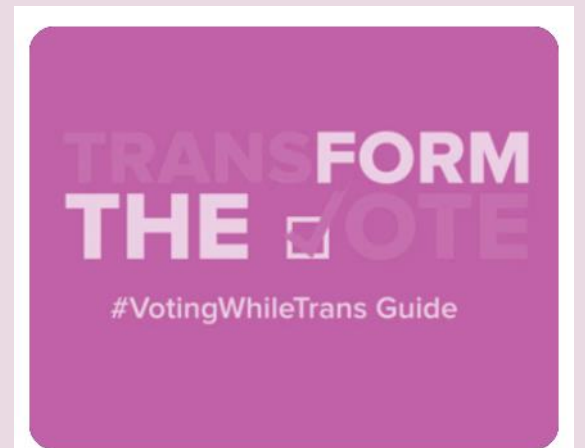
Some Student IDs

**And more!**

# Voting While Trans/Nonbinary

The state of Mississippi does not provide any specific guidance for trans and nonbinary voters. Here are a few recommendations from Advocates for Trans Equality:

- Bring valid ID and backups (voter registration card, utility bill)
- Share the #VotingWhileTrans guide with poll workers
- If needed, connect with a volunteer attorney on-site or call the National Election Protection Hotline (866-OUR-VOTE)
- Worst case, request and cast a provisional ballot and be sure to ask for follow-up instructions



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# Voting While Living With a Disability

- All polling places must have at least one working accessible voting machine.
- If you need assistance while voting, you have can receive help from an election worker or the support person of your choosing (except your employer or union representative).
- If you have a disability and vote by mail, anyone over the age of 18 can witness.
- If it's hard for you to stand or you need any other assistance, tell a poll worker. You have the right to ask for reasonable accommodations.
- If you have any issues on Election Day, call Disability Rights Mississippi at 800-772-4057.
- For more information on voting while living with a disability in Mississippi, visit: [disabilityvotesms.com/](https://disabilityvotesms.com/)

# Absentee voting or voting by mail

## Vote by mail.

- Mississippi requires an excuse for absentee voting. Valid excuses include:
  - You're temporarily residing outside of your county of residence
  - You have a temporary or permanent disability
  - You have a parent, spouse, or dependent that has a temporary or permanent disability who is hospitalized outside of their county of residence, and you'll be with them on election day.
  - Anyone over the age of 65.



# Absentee voting or voting by mail

## Vote by mail.

- Voters must request their absentee ballot by November 4.
- In Mississippi, an absentee ballot must be postmarked by November 5 and received by November 13.
- You must contact your County Election Office to receive an absentee ballot application. Contact info is available here: [sos.ms.gov/elections-voting/county-election-information](https://sos.ms.gov/elections-voting/county-election-information).
- Your absentee ballot cannot be hand delivered on election day.



**You must complete your  
absentee ballot in front of  
an authorized witness,  
most often a notary.**



**PFLAG recommends that voters request their absentee ballots as soon as possible and get them in the mailbox no later than Tuesday, October 22.**

# Early voting

## Vote early.

- A valid excuse is required to vote early in Mississippi. Excuses include:
  - You'll be away from your county of residence on election day for any reason
  - You have a temporary or permanent disability
  - You're 65 years of age or older
  - You're unable to vote in person because you have to work while polls are open



# Early voting

- You can vote early at your County Circuit Clerk's Office.
- You can find information about early voting locations in Mississippi here: [vote411.org/pflag](https://vote411.org/pflag)
- Early voting begins in Mississippi on September 23 and ends on November 2.
- Voters who plan to vote early in Mississippi are required to have identification. Learn more here: [sos.ms.gov/voter-id/acceptable](https://sos.ms.gov/voter-id/acceptable)



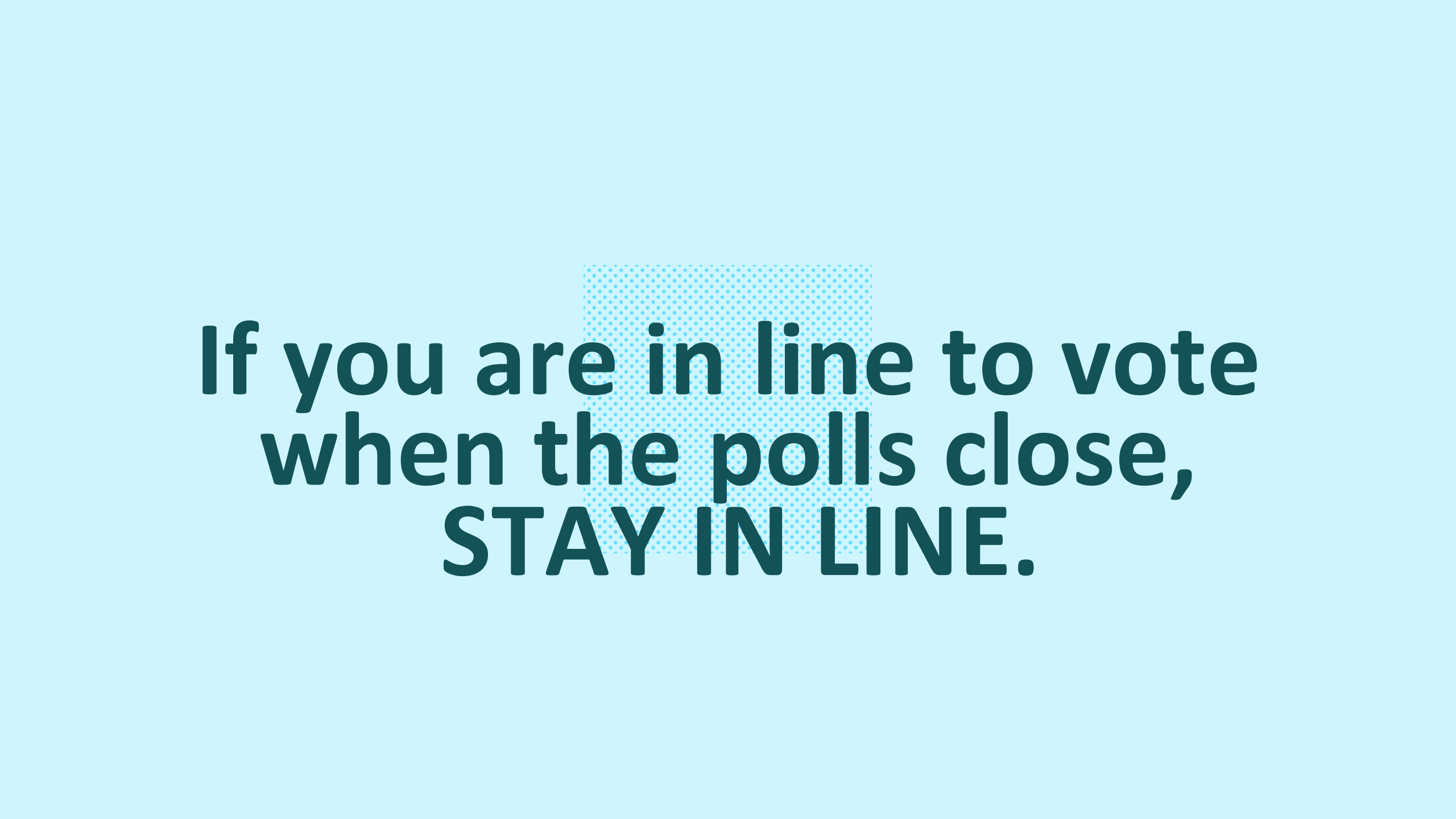
## Getting Out The Vote

# Voting on Election Day:

### **Vote on election day.**

- Polls open in Mississippi at 7am and close at 7pm on Tuesday, November 5.
- You can find information about the location of your polling place here:  
[vote411.org/pflag](https://vote411.org/pflag)
- If you arrive and are told you won't be allowed to vote:
  - Don't panic. Ask why, fix any problems, ask about same day registration, request a provisional ballot, etc.
  - Call 866-OUR-VOTE or 888-VE-Y-VOTA.





**If you are in line to vote  
when the polls close,  
STAY IN LINE.**