
NEWS RELEASE

**Louisiana
Department of State**



**Tom Schedler
Secretary of State**

**P.O. Box 94125
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9125
www.sos.la.gov**



**Meg Casper
Press Secretary
225.362.5086
meg.casper@sos.la.gov**

May 9, 2014

VOTER REGISTRATION WEEK 2014 BEGINS MONDAY

BATON ROUGE, La.—Secretary of State Tom Schedler is joining with Registrars of Voters across the state next week in hosting Voter Registration Week activities aimed at registering eligible citizens to vote. Voter Registration Week activities by parish can be found on the Secretary of State’s website at:

<http://www.sos.la.gov/Pages/NewsAndEvents.aspx#faq63>.

“Our voter registration statistics are some of the most robust in the nation,” said Secretary of State Tom Schedler. “Approximately 84% of our eligible citizens are already registered, but we always have a batch of young people that are about to turn 18 years of age as well as new residents who may have recently moved to Louisiana who need to register. This week is the perfect time to get informed, check your registration status, and if you’re not already registered, get registered.”

Louisiana was one of the first states in the nation to implement an easy, convenient on-line voter registration portal. Citizens with a valid Louisiana driver’s license can register online 24 hours a day 7 days a week from the convenience of their home or office by visiting: www.GeauxVote.com.

Additionally, residents of Louisiana can register in person at their parish Registrar of Voters Office, when they apply for/renew their driver’s license at any Office of Motor Vehicles or when obtaining services at public assistance agencies and armed forces recruitment offices. Citizens wishing to register by mail can complete an application which can be found at www.GeauxVote.com, at public libraries or through registration drives.

To register and vote in Louisiana individuals must be:

- A U.S. Citizen;
- At least 17 years old to register and 18 years old prior to the next election to vote;
- Not under an order of imprisonment for conviction of a felony
- Not under a judgment of full interdiction for mental incompetence or partial interdiction with suspension of voting rights; and
- A resident in the state and parish in which you seek to register and vote.

“Voter Registration Week is also an excellent time for all citizens to become educated on the election process in Louisiana and pledge their participation on each and every Election Day,” said Secretary Schedler. “Our Honor Vets...Vote program allows voters to dedicate their vote in any election to a current or former member of the military as a symbolic gesture of appreciation for their service.”

For more information on the Honor Vets...Vote program visit <http://www.sos.la.gov/ElectionsAndVoting/Pages/OnlineVoterRegistration.aspx>.