

Chester County Voting in 2021: Frequently Asked Questions

VOTE IN PERSON

Q: Where do I go to vote?

A: Your polling place will be listed on your voter registration card. Or go to www.votespa.com and search "Where's my polling place?"

Q: What can I expect when I go to the polls? What's the procedure?

A: Google <https://www.dosomething.org/us/articles/4-things-to-expect-at-the-polls> Every place is a little different, but this is usually how it goes. Have fun! Be proud!

Q: Do I need ID?

A: ONLY if you are a first-time voter OR are voting in a new precinct. YOU DO NOT NEED A PHOTO ID. Acceptable forms of ID if needed include a driver's license, US passport, voter registration card, military ID, student ID, employee ID, firearm permit, current utility bill or bank statement, paycheck or government check, or any ID issued by PA or the federal government.

Q: Can I get help completing my ballot at the polls?

A: Yes. You can bring a helper, and ask to speak with a poll worker.

Q: Can I get help at the polls if I don't speak English?

A: Currently, Chester County does not provide language assistance at the polling place, but you can bring someone with you who is not your employer or union representative. The Judge of Elections is not permitted to help with translation.

For more information (in Spanish): <https://www.chesco.org/4735/Spanish>

For Election day problem

1-888-839-8682 (Spanish)

1-888-274-8683 (English, Mandarin, Cantonese, Korean, Vietnamese, Tagalog, Urdu, Hindi, and Bengali)

NOTE: Language translation is an issue everywhere. Perhaps consider working with the State Representative in your community to bring language translation to Chester County and PA.

Q: If I make a mistake when marking up my ballot can I receive a new one?

A: Yes, if you haven't put it into the scanner yet. Just ask for a new ballot.

Q: Can I expect privacy when I vote at the polls?

A: YES. You will be in a large room with workers and other voters waiting to vote. But the actual voting "booth" is private, even from your spouse. No one sees who you voted for.

Q: May I bring my children?

A: Yes, many parents do.

Q: How can I get to the polling place if I need transportation help?

A: There is no official way, but you can try: Uber or Lyft (both may offer special rates), Rover (must be a subscriber), Voto Latino, local Urban League affiliates, the National Federation of the Blind, Faith in Action, League of Women Voters, the Student Vets of America, or your place of worship. You can also call your State Representative's office to ask about ride services.