



DRAFT November 2024 Non-Citizen Voter (NCV) Outreach Plan

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I. BACKGROUND

In 2016, San Francisco voters passed Proposition N, allowing certain non-citizen residents of San Francisco to register for and vote in local Board of Education elections. In order to be eligible to vote under Proposition N, a non-citizen resident has to be: 1) 18 or older on Election Day; 2) not imprisoned for a felony conviction; 3) not found incompetent to vote by a court; and 4) the legally-recognized parent, guardian, or caregiver of a minor child who also lives in San Francisco.

In May 2018, the Board of Supervisors passed related law requiring the Department of Elections (Department) to develop certain non-citizen specific voting materials, and in October 2021 made the Proposition N rules permanent for all local Board of Education elections, including recalls. Although in July 2022, a local Superior Court judge declared Proposition N unlawful, in August 2023, the California Court of Appeal reversed this ruling and upheld San Francisco's non-citizen voting program.

In the upcoming November 5, 2024 Election, local voters will fill four seats on San Francisco's Board of Education. In accordance with current local law, the Department will administer non-citizen voting for these four contests, providing a parallel set of registration and voting resources for non-citizen voters as well as outreach to non-citizens on these topics. Following the close of the voting period, the Department will then incorporate all valid non-citizen votes into its official citywide election results.

II. OUTREACH STRATEGIES

As part of the Department's commitment to providing accessible, equitable, and inclusive voter education to all San Francisco residents, its Outreach division staff will conduct a comprehensive non-citizen voter (NCV) outreach campaign. These multilingual, multiformat, non-partisan outreach efforts will disseminate information on essential NCV topics, including: registration rules and methods, voting options, resources, and tools, and contact information for organizations who serve local immigrants.

To ensure as many eligible non-citizen residents of San Franciscans as possible are aware of their right to register and vote in the 2024 Board of Education Election, the Department will utilize a wide variety of outreach strategies. These will include: digital distribution of NCV materials and information, NCV resource table hosting at local neighborhood events, virtual and in-person NCV voter education presentations, specialized NCV training workshops for community-based outreach partners serving immigrant communities, radio and newspaper advertisements about NCV, and interviews with local English and non-English language media outlets such as Telemundo 48, Univision, KTSF, KPIX, KCBS, KRON, and KIQI 1010 AM.

The Department will also facilitate collaborative NCV outreach with hundreds of local organizations and agencies who serve city residents. While some of these partnerships have been in place in prior Board of Education elections, others will be new for this election. In particular, the Department will work with the San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD), the Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs (OCEIA), the Latino Task Force (LTF), and the Immigrant Parent Voting Coalition (IPVC) as well as with local nonprofit organizations who will have successfully applied to serve as 2024 outreach grantees.

The Department also recognizes that its NCV outreach materials for the November 5, 2024 Board of Education Election will need to provide non-citizen parents, guardians, and caretakers with notification that NCV might affect their immigration status or naturalization progress. In particular, the Department's outreach materials will include (as required by law) IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR NON-UNITED STATES CITIZENS, which alerts that the Department may be required to disclose local voter data to Immigrations and Custom Enforcement and other agencies, organizations, and individuals.

Along with this Notice, the Department will disseminate information on recent changes to the federal government’s N-400 Naturalization Application¹, which includes a question² about voting history in local, state, and federal elections. Per this change, many San Francisco NCV voters may now be able to respond “No” to the question “Have you EVER registered to vote or voted in any Federal, state, or local election in the United States?” given that the form now includes the instruction “If you lawfully voted only in a local election where noncitizens are eligible to vote, you may answer, ‘No.’ “ Nevertheless, the Department will continue to direct potential NCV registrants concerned about this issue to seek guidance from immigration attorneys before sharing personal information with the Department or registering to vote.

Note: The period for all outreach methods described below will run June to November 2024 unless otherwise noted.

A. PRINTED NCV SPECIFIC MATERIALS

By law, non-citizen voters must register for each Board of Education election and cannot do so using the California Secretary of State’s online application, by making a qualified transaction (e.g., obtaining a driver license or registering a vehicle) at the California Department of Motor Vehicles, or by completing the paper state voter application. This is because each of those methods requires an attestation of United States citizenship. The Department’s Non-Citizen Voter Registration Form, available in print and via download, currently serves as the only means by which non-citizens can register to vote in San Francisco.

The NCV registration form indicates that it does not entitle registrants to vote in any other local, federal, or state elections.

The Department will also produce its full array of multilingual printed NCV-specific registration, voting, and outreach materials for the November 2024 Board of Education Election. These materials will include NCV-specific voter registration and cancellation forms, the NCV Board of Education Election Reminder Letter³, the NCV Voter Information Booklet⁴, the single-card Board of Education ballot, and the Guide to Registration and Voting Process for Non-Citizens,⁵ as well as various flyers⁶ and posters.

1. Initial NCV Printed Materials Distribution

The NCV single-election voter registration form for the November 5, 2024 Board of Education Election is now available online at sfelections.org/NCV as well as in paper format. This form has been fully translated (as required by law) into Chinese, Spanish, Filipino, Vietnamese, and Arabic with the legally-mandated Important Notice for Non-United States Citizens being translated into all 49 required languages.

The Department’s Registration and Voting Guide for Non-Citizen Parents and Caregivers is a comprehensive resource, with key information about non-citizen voting distilled into twelve, easy-to-read pages. The cover shows the IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR NON-UNITED STATES CITIZENS, as required by law, and for the convenience of potential NCV voters.

Inside this quadrilingual guide, readers will find Department contact information, November 2024 election dates, an eligibility checklist, and detailed instructions on the voter registration process. Its readers will also learn how to find information about

¹ See Appendix B

² See Appendix C

³ See Appendix G

⁴ See Appendix J

⁵ See Appendix E

⁶ See Appendix F

Board of Education candidates and mail and in-person voting options. At the end, readers will see a list of voting rights and contact information for a number of local organizations serving immigrant communities.

The Department has also created a new NCV flyer for the 2024 Board of Education Election. This new bilingual flyer, which is available in English, Chinese, Filipino, and Spanish, includes the required notice and information on NCV eligibility and voting processes.

The NCV guide, along with NCV registration and cancellation forms, and the NCV informational flyer, are all available on the Department's NCV webpage, sfelections.org/NCV as well as at the Department's Room 48 office in City Hall. In addition, outreach staff will distribute these NCV printed materials directly to interested residents at many in-person community events, voter education presentations, and voter registration drives. The Department will also deliver these NCV materials to hundreds of outreach partners, including many local non-profits and schools, who will distribute them to non-citizen parents in turn.

2. NCV Reminder Letter

Approximately six months before each Board of Education election, the Department sends a letter to all the non-citizen voters who participated in the last Board of Education election, reminding them that they may register again for the next such election.

3. Regular Press Releases

The Department issues regular press releases to a group of approximately three hundred interested parties, composed mainly of local journalists, the media, and members of community-based organizations. Many of the press releases for the upcoming November 5, 2024 Election will include announcements pertaining to non-citizen registration and voting. Anyone interested in receiving press releases from the Department of Elections may sign up at sfelections.org/trustedinfo.

4. Certificates of NCV Eligibility and Registration

Upon request, and pursuant to San Francisco Municipal Elections Code Section 1004(a), the Department can provide a letter⁷ to any non-citizen voter confirming they have lawfully registered for a Board of Education election under San Francisco Charter §13.111(a)(1)(B). This letter also cites the relevant part of the law exactly. Similarly, the Department will provide a letter upon request: a) listing the criteria set forth in Charter §13.111(a)(1) for non-United State citizens to register and vote in local Board of Education elections, and b) verifying that a given person has in fact voted in a specific Board of Education election.

5. Voter Information Booklet

For the November 5, 2024 Election, the Department will produce a separate Voter Information Booklet (VIB) with information for local non-citizen voters. The VIB will be printed in English, Chinese, Spanish, and Filipino. The VIB will be mailed to all non-citizen registrants and posted on sfelections.org by October 7 in accordance with CAEC §13307(b) and MEC §500. The VIB will include a sample ballot, information about candidates, voting options, and election processes. Its back cover will feature the location of the recipient's assigned polling place.

B. WEBSITE

The Department recently updated its NCV webpage⁸ at sfelections.org/NCV. This easier-to-read webpage includes quick links to the NCV registration and cancellation forms and the non-citizen voter information portal as well as information on NCV eligibility requirements, registration, and voting options. It also includes links to immigration-related resources and to

⁷ See Appendix H

⁸ See Appendix K

organizations in the Immigrant Parent Voting Collaborative, answers to frequently asked questions, and the legally mandated IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR NON-UNITED STATES CITIZENS.

In addition, the new NCV webpage incorporates three new drop-down panels, namely, 1) Effect on Naturalization Application, 2) Outreach Materials, and 3) History of NCV in San Francisco. The first panel provides a link to the recently revised N-400 Application for Naturalization, along with a brief summary of the revision most relevant to NCV voters. Copy on this panel also encourages non-citizens seeking advice about their particular naturalization cases to contact an immigration professional. The second panel provides links to NCV-specific printed materials along with an NCV presentation. The last panel provides background information on the history of NCV in San Francisco. It also explains that, by request, the Department can provide certificates of NCV eligibility and registration. All new panels have been translated⁹ into Spanish, Chinese, and Filipino.

C. IN-PERSON OUTREACH

To complement NCV print and online outreach, Department outreach staff have begun conducting a variety of NCV voter education outreach presentations at community events throughout the city. In order to better accommodate the different needs of different schools, government agencies, and community-based organizations, the Department offers an array of in-person resources and outreach opportunities including voter education presentations, resource tables, registration pop-up events, and training workshops.

1. NCV Presentations

NCV education presentations are already a core element of the Department's in-person voter outreach for the November 2024 election cycle, with Department outreach staff conducting NCV education presentations for community-based organizations, schools and government agencies that serve immigrant populations. All such presentations include key information on the history of NCV in San Francisco, NCV registration eligibility requirements, NCV registration and voting processes, accessible voting resources, and contact information for community-based organizations serving non-citizen residents of San Francisco.

2. NCV Resource Tables

The outreach team has already begun hosting resource tables at many community events in neighborhoods across the city. At these resource tables, multilingual Department staff can answer questions about NCV registration requirements and voting processes and assist with NCV registrations. They often also provide NCV information to interested parties via the distribution of printed materials such as the NCV flyer and the Registration and Voting Guide for Non-Citizen Parents and Caregivers.

3. NCV Workshops

The Department will continue to work closely with community-based partnership organizations and provide their community ambassadors the training, tools, and information they need to educate non-citizen residents on the history of and eligibility requirements for non-citizen voting and to assist non-citizen residents interested in registering to vote in the November 2024 Board of Education Election. In particular, Department staff will conduct training workshops with OCEIA and other community-based partners to ensure their staff are fully prepared to engage in NCV outreach to immigrant communities.

⁹ See Appendix L

4. NCV Merchant Walks

The Department's outreach team will conduct "merchant walks" in neighborhoods with larger concentrations of immigrants and/or residents who speak languages other than English. Outreach merchant walks in the past have proven to be highly effective and cost-efficient ways to conduct voter outreach in San Francisco. As part of these walks, staff will distribute printed NCV materials to local business owners and ask them to display the materials in their storefronts.

D. SCHOOL/PRE-K PARTNERSHIPS

1. Local Schools

The Department is partnering closely with SFUSD staff to disseminate NCV related information. Through this partnership, Department staff have shared NCV materials via some of SFUSD's established communication channels, including the OASIS newsletter (distribution to school staff) and the weekly Family Announcement Bulletin (distribution to families). The Department is also providing NCV printed materials, including NCV flyers and NCV Registration Forms, to the SFUSD main office on Franklin Street for display.

The Department is also working with local schools beyond the SFUSD, including the Chinese American International School, the French American International School, La Scuola, and the Lycée Français de San Francisco. As with the above public school partnerships, through these private school partnerships, the Department will provide NCV materials and resources to more families.

2. Local Preschools

To expand its NCV outreach to the local non-citizen parents, guardians, and caretakers of young children who are not yet enrolled in school, the Department has contacted a number of public agencies and community-based organizations who serve families with young children. These include the San Francisco Department of Early Childhood, the Children's Council of San Francisco, Safe & Sound, Recess Collective, and the San Francisco Child Care Planning & Advisory Council. Through these partnerships, the Department will provide outreach on NCV, explaining as necessary that Proposition N and its successor legislation allows most non-citizen parents of children who *reside* in the SFUSD to vote; they do not need to *attend* SFUSD.

E. PARTNERSHIPS WITH CITY AGENCIES AND COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS

As a major part of its NCV outreach for the November 5, 2024 Board of Education Election, the Department's outreach team will continue to utilize a number of longstanding partnerships with trusted local government agencies and community-based organizations serving local immigrant populations. These include the City's Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs, the Latino Task Force, the Department of Children, Youth and their Families, and the Immigrant Parent Voting Collaborative.

These partners in turn work with many other organizations, including: the African Advocacy Network, the Arab Resource and Organizing Center, the Central American Resource Center, Chinese for Affirmative Action, Coleman Advocates for Children and Youth, La Raza Community Resource Center, the Mission Economic Development Agency, and Mission Graduates. As trusted sources of information for local immigrant communities, these outreach partners will serve a vital role in helping the Department inform eligible non-citizen parents, guardians, and caretakers about their right to vote in the upcoming election.

1. Language Accessibility Advisory Committee

First, in the provision of NCV outreach, the Department will continue to partner with all members of its Language Accessibility Advisory Committee (LAAC). This group, formed in 2017, works to make voting in languages other than English easier.

Department representatives at LAAC meetings often seek the community's input on NCV outreach to non-English speaking communities.

2. Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs

Second, the Department will continue to work closely with San Francisco's Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs (OCEIA), with whom it has had a valuable and successful relationship for numerous elections. San Francisco's OCEIA is a policy, compliance, direct services and grant-making office whose mission, in part, is to foster immigrant assistance programs that lead to full civic, economic and linguistic integration. As in past elections, the Department will conduct training workshops with the diverse, multilingual members of OCEIA's Community Ambassador Street Team to help prepare them to educate non-citizen residents about the upcoming Board of Education Election. OCEIA ambassadors are critical, on the ground allies in San Francisco's efforts to reach non-citizen residents who may not receive key election information via traditional methods.

3. Latino Task Force

Third, the Department will continue to expand its partnership with San Francisco's Latino Task Force (LTF), which serves as a bridge connecting local low income and non-English speaking communities with life-affirming services and opportunities for enhanced cultural, economic, social, and civic engagement. Through this partnership, the Department's outreach staff now participate in LTF's weekly Monday meeting series, where they can share upcoming events of interest to members of Spanish-speaking and other non-English speaking communities and provide program partners with information on NCV and outreach opportunities. Three times per month, outreach staff also host NCV resource tables and answer questions at LTF's community hubs: Mission Hub on Alabama Street, the Executive Park Hub in the Bayview and the Excelsior Hub at Casa de Apoyo.

4. Immigrant Parent Voting Collaboration

Fourth, for this NCV election cycle, the Department is expanding its indirect outreach partnership with the Immigrant Parent Voting Collaborative (IPVC), a network of community-based organizations: African Advocacy Network, Arab Resource and Organizing Center, Central American Resource Center, Chinese for Affirmative Action, Coleman Advocates for Children and Youth, La Raza Community Resource Center, Mission Economic Development Agency, and Mission Graduates. For the November 2024 Board of Education Election, outreach staff will leverage their longstanding partnership with IPVC to provide NCV outreach to non-citizen residents who may not seek out election-related information through traditional methods

5. Department of Children, Youth, and Their Families

Fifth, the Department is also expanding its collaboration with staff at the Department of Children, Youth, and Their Families (DCYF) to provide information about NCV to community-based organizations who work with DCYF. The DCYF creates and facilitates innovative citywide policies and projects in support of children, youth, and families. As part of this expanded joint effort, the DCYF will publish information about NCV in their monthly newsletter, which they send to approximately 300 grantees who work exclusively with children and families in San Francisco. The DCYF will also highlight NCV via its social media accounts and *sfkids.org*, which together reach approximately 4,000 followers and distribute the Department's NCV materials.

6. Other Organizations

Finally, the Department is working with several other community-based organizations who serve local immigrant populations to provide staff at these organizations the tools they need to assist non-citizen residents interested in registering to vote for the upcoming election. To help prepare them, the Department will offer presentations on NCV eligibility requirements, voting processes and accessible voter resources and hold voter registration pop-ups to bolster the efforts of non-profit organizations.

F. MEDIA STRATEGIES

This fall, in partnership with local media personalities, Department staff will give interviews - in Chinese, English, Filipino, and Spanish - through numerous newspapers and media outlets, including Univision, Telemundo 48, KTSF, KIQI 1010 AM, World Journal, El Reportero, and the Sing Tao Daily. In these interviews, which the Department will continue to schedule over the summer, staff will inform San Franciscans about non-citizen voting and let them know where to find more information.

G. POLL WORKER TRAINING

The Department will develop a comprehensive training curriculum and update its Poll Worker Manual for the November 2024 election. This curriculum reflects the Department's commitment to always preparing each and every poll worker to effectively and efficiently serve all precinct, vote-by-mail, and provisional citizen and non-citizen voters.

The poll worker training curriculum therefore explains in detail how to provide inclusive, equitable, and accessible voter support services to non-citizen voters and clear and simple instructions regarding the distribution of NCV ballots. The NCV portion also educates poll workers on non-citizen voting eligibility requirements and rights, and covers procedures for processing both non-provisional and provisional NCV voters in detail using job cards and the use of discrete voter questioning techniques.

III. PLAN ASSESSMENT

Following the November 5, 2024 Election, the Department will conduct an assessment of this NCV Outreach Plan. This assessment will incorporate both quantitative data, such as the number of community events attended, the number of materials distributed, and the number of new partnerships established, and qualitative data, including surveys feedback from voters and outreach event attendees, along with feedback from outreach partner organizations. The Department will aggregate data by each community reached and will seek to identify useful correlations between relevant datasets and election outcomes. This assessment will be used to refine and improve future NCV outreach and education strategies going forward.

IV. APPENDIX

A. Terminology Notes

The official title of the elected body which manages the San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) is the “San Francisco Board of Education”, but this body is sometimes also referred to simply as the “School Board”.

“NCV” means non-citizen voting generally while “EDU” is an acronym sometimes used by the Department of Elections to refer specifically to non-citizen voting in San Francisco Board of Education elections and ballots listing only School Board contests.

B. USCIS Form N-400, Application for Naturalization – Page 1



Application for Naturalization
 Department of Homeland Security
 U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

USCIS
Form N-400
 OMB No. 1615-0052
 Expires 02/28/2027

For USCIS Use Only	Date Stamp	Receipt	Action Block
Remarks			

▶ **START HERE - Type or print in black ink.** If you do not answer all of the questions, it may take longer for U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) to process your Form N-400.

If your parent (including legal adoptive parent) is a U.S. citizen by birth, or was naturalized before you reached your 18th birthday, you may not need to file Form N-400 as you may already be a U.S. citizen. Before you file this application, please visit the USCIS website at www.uscis.gov/N-600 for Form N-600, Application for Certificate of Citizenship.

Part 1. Information About Your Eligibility (Select only one box to identify the basis of your eligibility or your Form N-400 may be delayed or rejected.) Enter Your 9 Digit A-Number: ▶ A-

1. Reason for Filing (Please see Instructions for eligibility requirements under each provision.):
 - A. **General Provision.** See Instructions: *List of General Eligibility Requirements*
 - B. **Spouse of U.S. Citizen.** See Instructions: *Eligibility Based on Marriage to a U.S. Citizen*
 - C. **VAWA.** See Instructions: *Eligibility for the Spouse, Former Spouse, or Child of a U.S. Citizen under the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)*
 - D. **Spouse of U.S. Citizen in Qualified Employment Outside the United States.** See Instructions: *Eligibility for the Spouse of a U.S. Citizen Working for a Qualified Employer Outside the United States*
 If your residential address is outside the United States and you are filing under Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) section 319(b), select the USCIS field office where you would like to have your naturalization interview. You can find a USCIS field office at www.uscis.gov/field-offices.
 - E. **Military Service During Period of Hostilities.** See Instructions: *Eligibility and Evidence for Current and Former Members of the U.S. Armed Forces*
 - F. **At Least One Year of Honorable Military Service at Any Time.** See Instructions: *Eligibility and Evidence for Current and Former Members of the U.S. Armed Forces*
 - G. **Other Reason for Filing Not Listed Above**

Part 2. Information About You (Person applying for naturalization)

1. Your Current Legal Name (do not provide a nickname)

Family Name (Last Name)	Given Name (First Name)	Middle Name (if applicable)
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2. Other Names You Have Used Since Birth (see the Instructions for this Item Number for more information about which names to include)

Family Name (Last Name)	Given Name (First Name)	Middle Name (if applicable)
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C. USCIS form N-400, Application for Naturalization – Page 6 (detail)

Part 9. Additional Information About You

When a question includes the word “EVER,” you must provide information about any of your actions or conduct that occurred anywhere in the world at any time, unless the question specifies otherwise. If you answer “Yes” to any of the questions in **Item Numbers 1. - 14. in Part 9. Item Numbers 1. - 14.,** provide explanations and any additional information in the space provided in **Part 14. Additional Information.**

1. Have you **EVER** claimed to be a U.S. citizen (in writing or any other way)? Yes No
2. Have you **EVER** registered to vote or voted in any Federal, state, or local election in the United States? If you lawfully voted only in a local election where noncitizens are eligible to vote, you may answer “No.” Yes No

D. November 5, 2024 Non-Citizen Voter Registration Form



CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS

John Arntz, Director

Non-Citizen Voter Registration Form
November 5, 2024, San Francisco School Board Election

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR NON-UNITED STATES CITIZENS

Any information you provide to the Department of Elections, including your name and address, may be obtained by Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and other agencies, organizations, and individuals. In addition, if you apply for naturalization, you will be asked whether you have ever registered or voted in a federal, state, or local election in the United States. You may wish to consult with an immigration attorney, an organization that protects immigrant rights, or other knowledgeable source before providing any personal information to the Department of Elections and before registering to vote in San Francisco Board of Education Elections. You can find a list of nonprofit organizations that specialize in protecting the rights of immigrants on sfelections.org.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. In **Section A**, review eligibility requirements and complete fields.
2. In **Section B**, affirm under penalty of perjury that you are eligible to vote in the School Board election and that all information is true and correct. Sign and date.
3. **Return this form to the Department of Elections.** To return by mail, fold the form to connect the red triangles on the left, and then connect the blue dots. Use tape to seal. To return in person, visit the Department's office in City Hall, Room 48.

Once the form is processed, the Department will mail you a Notification Letter to confirm your registration. If you do not receive the letter within a week, call (415) 554-4375.

All registered voters in San Francisco will be mailed ballots for the November 5 election. In-person voting services will also be available at the voting center and polling places. For information, visit sfelections.org/NCV.

A Eligibility Requirements: I am not a United States citizen; I live in San Francisco; I do not plan to move before November 5, 2024; I will be at least 18 years old on November 5, 2024; I am the parent, legal guardian, or legally recognized caregiver of a child who currently lives in San Francisco and will be under the age of 19 on Election Day, November 5, 2024; I am not in state or federal prison for a felony; I have not been found mentally incompetent to vote by a court.

First Name

Last Name (may include suffix, such as Jr., Sr., III)

Home Address (where you live; cannot be a P.O. box)

City

Mailing Address, if different from Home Address above (can be a P.O. box)

City

Email (optional)

Phone Number (optional)

Middle Name

Birth Date: Month / Day / Year

Apt or unit #


State

Zip

Country of Birth (optional)

B I affirm, under penalty of perjury, that I have read, understand and meet all the eligibility requirements to register to vote in the School Board election on November 5, 2024. I further affirm that the information on this form is true and correct. I understand that I can vote **ONLY** in the School Board election on November 5, 2024.

Signature _____ Date _____

 CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS

Registration and Voting Guide for **Non-Citizen** Parents and Caregivers

November 5, 2024
Board of Education Election
(School Board Election)

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR NON-UNITED STATES CITIZENS

Any information you provide to the Department of Elections, including your name and address, may be obtained by Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and other agencies, organizations, and individuals. In addition, if you apply for naturalization, you will be asked whether you have ever registered or voted in a federal, state, or local election in the United States. You may wish to consult with an immigration attorney, an organization that protects immigrant rights, or other knowledgeable source before providing any personal information to the Department of Elections and before registering to vote in San Francisco Board of Education Elections. You can find a list of nonprofit organizations that specialize in protecting the rights of immigrants on sfelections.org/NCV.

Non-Citizen Voting in San Francisco

November 5, 2024
Board of Education (School Board) Election

Eligibility Requirements

If you are not a U.S. citizen, you must meet all of the requirements below to be eligible to register to vote in the November 5, 2024 School Board Election.

- ✓ You will be at least 18 years on Election Day
- ✓ You are the parent or guardian of a child who will be under 19 on Election Day
- ✓ Both you and your child are living in San Francisco
- ✓ You are not in state or federal prison for conviction of a felony
- ✓ A court has not found you incompetent to vote

Steps to Participate

To vote in the November 5, 2024 School Board Election, complete these steps.

- 1 Review the Important Notice and Eligibility Requirements on this poster
- 2 Fill out a Non-Citizen Voter Registration Form and return it to the Department of Elections
- 3 Read the Voter Information Booklet to learn more about voting in the School Board Election
- 4 Decide how you will vote: either by mail or in person

For more information, go to sfelections.org/NCV or contact the Department of Elections.

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G. 2024 letter sent to past NCV registrants



CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS

John Arntz, Director

4/30/2024

Notice: Voter Registration is Available for the November 5, 2024 Board of Education
(School Board) Election

<<First Name>> <<Last Name>>
<<Address 1>>
<<City>> <<State>> <<Zip>>

Dear resident,

We are writing to notify you about San Francisco's upcoming School Board Election on November 5, 2024. Under local law, certain non-citizen residents will be eligible to vote in this election.

Our records show that you registered to vote in the most recent School Board Election held on November 8, 2022.

If you wish to vote in the November 5, 2024 School Board Election and are eligible to do so, you must re-register to vote. Fill out the enclosed non-citizen registration form and return it using the pre-paid return envelope. (This form is available in many languages. You can get a new form at sfelections.org/ncv or by calling (415) 554-4375.)

If you have questions about registration or voting, call (415) 554-4375, email sfvote@sfgov.org, or visit our office in City Hall, Room 48.

Sincerely,
San Francisco Department of Elections

通知：2024 年 11 月 5 日三藩市教育委員會選舉的選民登記現已開始

親愛的居民：

我們特此通知您，三藩市將於 2024 年 11 月 5 日舉行教育委員會選舉。根據本地法律，某些非公民居民將有資格在此選舉中投票。

我們的記錄顯示，您在 2022 年 11 月 8 日舉行的最近期一次三藩市教育委員會選舉中曾經登記投票。

如您希望在 2024 年 11 月 5 日的三藩市教育委員會選舉中投票，並且符合資格，則您必須重新登記投票。請填妥隨本函附上的非公民選民登記申請表，並使用郵資已付的回郵信封寄回本處。（此申請表備有多種語言版本。您可於 sfelections.org/ncv 或致電 (415) 554-4367 取得新表格。）

如您對登記或投票有任何疑問，請致電 (415) 554-4367，電郵 sfvote@sfgov.org，或親臨市政廳 48 室。

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H. Certificate of Non-Citizen Voter Registration (Verification Letter)



CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS

John Arntz, Director

Certificate of Non-Citizen Voter Registration

[Date]

The Department of Elections issues this letter with regard to:

Name of Voter

This letter recognizes the above-named person registered to vote in the recall election for the Board of Education of the San Francisco Unified School District ("Board of Education") occurring February 15, 2022, held in the City and County of San Francisco ("San Francisco"). Further, at the time this certificate is issued, the above-named person has not voted.

San Francisco Charter Section 13.111(a)(1)(B) permits a non-United States citizen who is a resident of San Francisco to vote exclusively in a Board of Education election if the person is "the parent, legal guardian, or caregiver (as defined in California Family Code Section 6550 or any successor legislation) of a child under age 18 residing in the San Francisco Unified School District, is the minimum age required under this Charter to vote in a municipal election, and is not disqualified from voting under Article II Section 4 of the California Constitution or any implementing State statute."

I, John Arntz, Director of the Department of Elections for the City and County of San Francisco, issue this letter pursuant to San Francisco Municipal Elections Code Section 1004(a).

Signature of Representative of the Department of Elections
City and County of San Francisco

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I. Certificate of Eligibility (Verification Letter)



CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS

John Arntz, Director

Certificate of Eligibility

[Date]

The Department of Elections issues this letter with regard to:

Name of Voter

This letter recognizes the above-named person voted in the election to determine whether to recall the Board of Education Members of the San Francisco Unified School District ("Board of Education") occurring February 15, 2022 held in the City and County of San Francisco ("San Francisco").

The above-named person voted pursuant to San Francisco Charter Section 13.111(a)(1)(B), which permits a non-United States citizen who is a resident of San Francisco to vote exclusively in a Board of Education election if the person is "the parent, legal guardian, or caregiver (as defined in California Family Code Section 6550 or any successor legislation) of a child under age 19 residing in the San Francisco Unified School District, is the minimum age required under this Charter to vote in a municipal election, and is not disqualified from voting under Article II Section 4 of the California Constitution or any implementing State statute."

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J. Voter Information Booklet



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<p>City and County of San Francisco</p> <p>Voter Information Booklet & Sample Ballot</p>	<p>Ciudad y Condado de San Francisco</p> <p>Libreta de Información para los Electores y Muestra de la Boleta Oficial</p>
<p>三藩市市縣 選民資料手冊 及選票樣本</p>	<p>Lungsod at County ng San Francisco</p> <p>Booklet ng Impormasyon para sa Botante at Halimbawang Balota</p>



El horario de nuestra oficina es de lunes a viernes (excepto días feriados) de 8 a.m. a 5 p.m. El Departamento estará abierto los dos fines de semana previos al Día de las Elecciones, 3 de noviembre, para brindar asistencia en persona.

這棟處的辦公時間是星期一至星期五（節假日除外）上午8時正至下午5時正，並將於11月3日選舉日之前的兩個週末開放，為選民提供協助。

Bukas ang opisina mula Lunes hanggang Biyernes (maliban kapag holiday) mula 8 a.m. hanggang 5 p.m. Magbubukas ang Departamento nang dalawang weekend bago ang Araw ng Eleksyon, Nobyembre 3, upang matulungan kayo nang personal.

K. Main NCV Webpage

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Non-citizen voting rights in local Board of Education elections

Current local law allows certain non-citizens to vote in San Francisco's Board of Education (School Board) elections.

Election date

The next local Board of Education (School Board) election will be held on November 5, 2024.

Registration form

To vote as a non-citizen, you must fill out the [NCV registration form](#). You must mail the form or drop it at our office at City Hall.

What to do



Current local law allows certain non-citizens to vote in San Francisco's Board of Education (School Board) elections. **This law does not allow individuals to vote in any other local, state, or federal election.**

Check if you're eligible

To register as a non-citizen voter for the next Board of Education (School Board) election, you must be **all of the following**:

1. A San Francisco resident who intends to remain so until the next Board of Education election;
2. The parent, legal guardian, or caregiver of a child living in the San Francisco Unified School District (i.e. living in San Francisco);
3. At least 18 years of age on Election Day (the next such date is November 5, 2024); and
4. Not disqualified from voting under state law for imprisonment or mental incompetence.

Register

Local law requires all non-citizen voters to register for Board of Education elections using a postage-paid [NCV registration form](#). This form is also available at the Department's office. Completed non-citizen registration forms must be returned by mail or in person. A new NCV registration form must be completed for each Board of Education election by any non-citizen voter.

Non-citizen voters cannot use the state voter registration form or register at state offices (e.g., Department of Motor Vehicles).

Get help

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Registration of any non-citizen voter will expire after each local Board of Education election. Non-citizen registrants may cancel their voter registration at any time by contacting the Department of Elections or by returning a [NCV registration cancellation form](#).

Any information you provide to the Department of Elections, including your name and address, may be obtained by Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and other agencies, organizations, and individuals. In addition, if you apply for naturalization, you will be asked whether you have ever registered or voted in a federal, state, or local election in the United States. You may wish to consult with an immigration attorney, an organization that protects immigrant rights, or other knowledgeable source before providing any personal information to the Department of Elections and before registering to vote in San Francisco Board of Education Elections. You can find a list of nonprofit organizations that specialize in protecting the rights of immigrants on [sfelections.org](#). See [translated versions of this notice](#).

Log in to the Non-Citizen Voter Information Portal

Non-citizen voters may confirm their registration information, check the status of their ballots, and find their assigned polling place by logging in to the [Non-Citizen Voter Information Portal](#) or by contacting the Department.

Ways to vote

Non-citizen voters have the same voting options as other local voters. These options include: voting [by mail](#), voting [in person](#), or voting using the accessible vote-by-mail system.

Find your polling place

Any voter can contact the Department of Elections, use the [Voting Site Wait Times Lookup Tool](#), or check the back cover of their Voter Information Booklet to find their assigned polling place.

Check in at the polls

This process will mirror the one for citizen voters, meaning that non-citizen voters will need to sign the roster of voters to receive a ballot. All voters, including non-citizens, have the right to cast a secret ballot.

[More information](#) +

Resources for immigrants

Immigration-related resources

- [San Francisco Rapid Response Network](#)
- [San Francisco Immigration Support](#)
- [Sanctuary City ordinance](#)
- [San Francisco Pathways to Citizenship Initiative](#)

Immigrant Parent Voting Collaborative

A group of San Francisco organizations that advocates for community voting rights in San Francisco schools.

L. Translated NCV Webpages



Derechos electorales de personas sin ciudadanía en elecciones locales del Consejo de Educación

La legislación local actual permite la votación de algunas personas sin ciudadanía en elecciones del Consejo de Educación de San Francisco (Consejo Escolar)

Fecha de la elección

La próxima elección local del Consejo de Educación (Consejo Escolar) se llevará a cabo el 5 de noviembre de 2024.

Formulario de inscripción

Para votar como elector sin ciudadanía, debe llenar el [formulario de inscripción electoral de personas sin ciudadanía](#). Después debe enviarlo por correo o entregarlo en nuestra oficina, en el Ayuntamiento.

Qué debe hacer



La legislación local actual permite la votación de algunas personas sin ciudadanía en elecciones del Consejo de Educación de San Francisco (Consejo Escolar). **Esta ley no permite a las personas votar en ninguna otra elección local, estatal ni federal.**

Obtenga ayuda

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非公民在三藩市教育委員會選舉中的投票權

現行的地方法律允許某些非公民在三藩市的教育委員會（教委會）選舉中投票。

選舉日期

下一次的三藩市教育委員會（教委會）選舉將於2024年11月5日舉行。

登記表格

若您以非公民身份參加投票，必須填寫非公民選民登記申請表。填妥登記表格後，必須寄回或交回我們在市政廳的辦公室。

該怎麼做



現行的地方法律允許某些非公民在三藩市的教育委員會（教委會）選舉中投票。該法律票不允許此類人士在地方、州或聯邦的任何其他選舉中投票。

聯絡我們

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Mga Karapatan ng Hindi-Mamamayan sa Pagboto sa mga Lokal na Eleksyon para sa Lupon ng mga Paaralan

Alamin ang tungkol sa kung sino ang maaaring makilahok, paano magparehistro at makaboto, at nauugnay na mga mapagkukunan.


Petsa ng eleksyon

Ang susunod na eleksyon para sa Lupon ng mga Paaralan ay gaganapin sa Nobyembre 5, 2024.

Form para sa Pagpaparehistro

Para bumoto bilang isang hindi-mamamayan, kailangan ninyong kumpletuhin ang [form para sa pagpaparehistro ng NCV](#). Kailangan ninyong ipadala sa koreo ang form o ihulog ito sa aming tanggapan sa City Hall.

Anong gagawin

 Pinahihintulutan ng kasalukuyang lokal na batas ang ilang mga hindi-mamamayan na bumoto sa mga eleksyon para sa Lupon ng mga Paaralan ng San Francisco. **Hindi pinapayagan ng batas na ito ang**

Humingi ng tulong

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