What You Need to Know About the Primary Elections

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California Party Conversions

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To vote in either the Democratic or Republican primaries, voters must register by April 18.

Cattaraugus County Republican Party Chairman Robert Keis Sr. was one of the first NY county chairmen to endorse Trump.

Just 58 percent of the city's registered voters participated in the 2012 general election and only 26 percent of registered voters took part in the city's 2013 general election, when Democrat Bill de Blasio was elected mayor.

But only registered Democrats and Republicans can vote in the respective primaries.

As the California presidential primary approaches, political consultant Rob Stutzman and the firm of McNally/Temple are heading up an effort to block Donald Trump, and they see the benefit of a broader Republican registration to help their efforts.

It's a little insane for someone like Ivanka to miss the deadline.

For NYU student AliAkbar M. Hassonjee, who is registered as an independent, one of the big group of voters being affected include millennials - many of which are registering under the independent or third parties.

Across the country, the presidential primary process has been attracting incredible attention.

"I've always voted based on the candidate as opposed to based on the party," she said.

Independent voters and advocates of open primaries gathered on Thursday afternoon to shine light on the issue of the state's current closed primaries system which will exclude, they argue close to 3.2 million voters in the state from casting their vote during next week's NY state primary.

In New York, both parties allocate the majority of delegates by congressional district, with a handful of delegates selected statewide.

For further information, contact the Registrars at 203-594-3060.
Voters who come to the poll site who are not duly registered, and who demand to vote anyway, will be allowed to fill out an affidavit ballot, Work said. But it doesn't have to be.

When we hear about voter fraud allegations made by Republicans against Democrats, it's generally a case of people voting twice, voting in places where they shouldn't be registered or voting while dead. By going to Vote.org, you can fill out a registration application in less than two minutes. If you're still not sure, just register again.

But with NY holding a closed primary election, not everyone will be heading to the polls to support their preferred candidate, according to political science professor Gerald Benjamin, director of The Benjamin Center at SUNY New Paltz. Election Day is November 8.

Voters also now can begin casting mail-in absentee ballots for the primary. Deadlines and other information can be found here. If you have questions about your voter registration or anything else election related. Luckily you can visit YourFuckingPollingPlace.com to find out where to cast your ballot on Election Day.

Why, then, are the state's primary rules so strict? And for that matter, they look to be younger Democrats voting in their first or second election. Share the info and commit to showing up to vote this year.

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