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Nonpartisan groups agree: Oregon should allow 16 year-olds to pre-register to vote by passing Senate Bill 802

Oregon already allows 17 year-olds to pre-register to vote, so by the time they reach 18 they're ready to participate. Expanding pre-registration from 17 to 16 years-old gives the state more opportunities to reach young people at two key points: at the DMV and in the classroom.

The DMV

Approximately 20,000 16 year-olds get their driver's license from the DMV year.

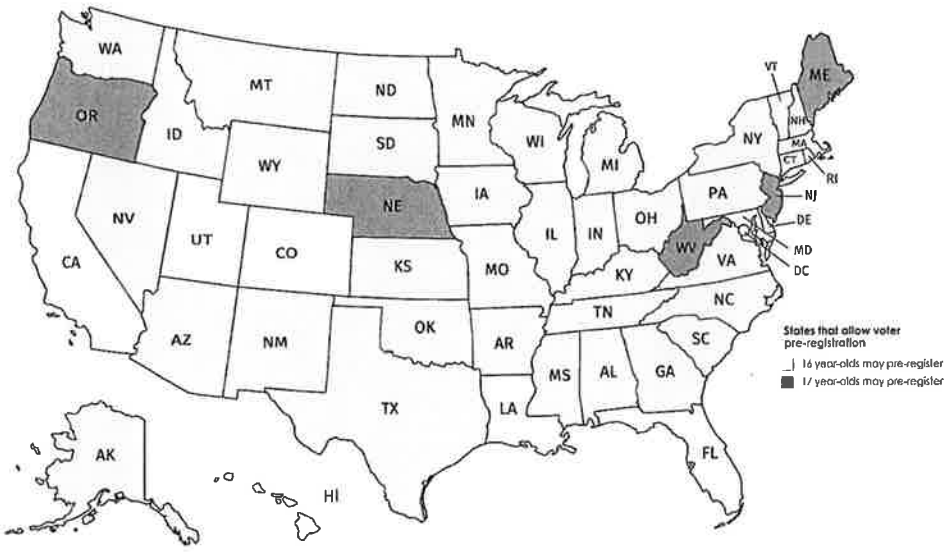
The Classroom

Strengthen high school civics programs by giving more students the chance to take a meaningful step toward civic involvement by pre-registering to vote.

Build the Habit

Study after study shows that voting is habit forming. By registering Oregonians when they're young, we can build a habit of civic engagement and boost voter turnout.

Pre-registration policies around the United States:



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