

**Dear ECSHA MEMBER:** In an effort to assist your desire to cast your best informed vote in the 2022 US Congressional and statewide elections, here are some questions key to this year's campaigns.

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### **Cast an Informed VOTE in 2022!**

#### **Prepare for the ECSHA Post 2022 Election Survey**

#### **CONSIDER YOUR VOTING OPTIONS ON ISSUES FOR THE CRITICAL 2022 CONGRESSIONAL AND STATE ELECTIONS**

1. Why are many public officials, journalists, American historians, and politicians considering this one of the most important elections in the 2022 "off year" Congressional and state elections?
2. To what does the term "off year" elections refer?
3. Incumbents are persons already in office who seek reelection. How many incumbents in the U.S. House of Representatives will be running for reelection in November 22? How many Senators?
4. What is at stake in U.S. Congressional and state elections that make this election so important?
5. What are the swing states in the 2022 election? What is meant by the term "swing state" and which states are they?
6. In the 2022 state election, why are elections involving State Secretaries of States so important this year, when voters often don't follow the candidates in these races?
7. Why is the outcome of Governors' races so important this year, especially in the state of Pennsylvania?
8. What does it mean that all political parties want voters to pay particular attention to what is referred to as the **Up and Down Ballot races**?

9. Why is it important which party controls each state legislature as we prepare for the Presidential election in 2024?
10. In Fulton and Montgomery Counties, which of the two counties has a different person running as the **incumbent** Congressman for the district than was in the 2020 election?
11. Why will Congressman Tonko no longer be on the ballot in the 21st district but still probably be in Congress?
12. Since Donald Trump is citizen Trump since Jan. 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021, why is he still considered a major factor in the outcome of the 2022 elections either helping or hurting the outcomes of Republican or Democrat candidates?
13. What might the findings of the 2022 Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> House Investigating Committee have on the 2022 elections?
14. What might the actions of the U.S. Department of Justice have on the outcome of the elections of 2022?
15. Which demographic groups are expected to turn out in greater numbers than originally predicated to cast votes in the 2022 elections? (Hint: gender and age groups are involved.)
16. What June decision of the U.S. Supreme Court is expected to have a major impact on the outcome of U.S. Congressional and state races this year?
17. Why have we heard so much news about Liz Cheney, Congresswoman from Wyoming in the past several months?

ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE IN THIS YEAR'S **CRITICAL** 2022 U.S. CONGRESSIONAL AND STATE ELECTIONS?

IF YOU ARE A FIRST TIME VOTER, ARE YOU AWARE OF REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS, OPTIONS TO VOTE AND DEADLINES FOR EACH?

HAVE YOU CHECKED WITH YOUR **COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO LEARN HOW?** Another easy site to register on and receive information on all your options as well as reminders is the national voter site: **Vote.org** It is easy to navigate regardless of the state in which you vote.

**If you are already registered and vote routinely, do you know if any requirements, options have changed since you last voted or what the deadlines are for 2022?**

Again, you can visit or call your county board of elections which is also online or use **Vote.org** to complete your process and cast your vote.

**Voting your informed choices: Yes, every vote does count!!!**

- ✓ **Have you checked voting records of incumbents for which you have decided to vote to see if their past voting reflects your values and concerns?**
  
- ✓ **If the candidates you decide to choose **will be new to the office** to which they hope to be elected, **how well have you researched their experience, background and what they want to accomplish if elected to2 office?****

Attn: Why do candidates often run under more than one party line? Why do some voters prefer to vote for their candidates on a different line than Republican or Democrat Party lines?

**ELECTION 2022  
US CONGRESSIONAL ELECTIONS**

Please note below the main issues that each of the two major parties are running on to gain your important vote up and down ballot.

REPUBLICAN PARTY

DEMOCRATIC PARTY