

Chapter 6: Voters and Voter Behavior

Section 2: Voter Qualifications Among the States

- 1) Identify the minimum standards that the U.S. Constitution has established for voter qualification that no state can violate. (Address these areas: citizenship, age, and residence) P152 P153
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- 4) Identify why some argue registration is necessary. P155
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- 7) Identify people that are still denied the right to vote in some states. P157

Section 4: Voter Behavior

- 1) Identify why people choose not to vote. P165
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 - b) Education P169
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 - b) caucus
 - c) convention
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