



# Photo ID for Voting:

## What Davidson County Students Need to Know

**All registered voters need to show a valid photo ID when they go to the polls. Your student ID from school is NOT acceptable for voting purposes.**

You must present one valid government-issued photo ID at the polls in order to vote. Do you currently have *any* of these?

- Tennessee driver's license with your photo
- Tennessee Identification License (not valid for driving)
- U.S. Passport
- Other photo ID issued by Tennessee or U.S. government

**If you do not have a Tennessee Identification License, you can get one at the nearest DMV (Department of Motor Vehicles) office.** The Downtown Express location (312 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. North, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Snodgrass Building) is easily accessible by MTA. Enter the building on the 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue side, across from War Memorial Auditorium. For all DMV locations and hours, <http://www.tn.gov/safety/article/dlocationcnty>

### **What do you need to get a TN Identification License (not valid for driving)?**

- **Proof of citizenship (either)**
  - Birth certificate (no photocopies or mother's copy)
  - Naturalization papers
- **Proof of identity**
  - Social security card (SSN)
- **Two of the following proofs of residency in Davidson County**
  - Current student transcripts from a Davidson County school (available from your guidance department)
  - Bank statements in your name sent to your current address
  - A signed "Affidavit of Tennessee Residency" (available in your school library)
- **Payment of \$12 for a renewable TN Identification License valid for 8 years**

**What if you cannot afford the TN Identification License fee? You can get a free non-renewable Voter ID with a photo.** You will need all of documentation listed above as well as a signed "Affidavit for Voter Photo Identification License"

<https://www.tn.gov/assets/entities/safety/attachments/affidavit.pdf>

### **Hate to wait?**

It is *highly* recommended that before coming you complete the online application <https://dl.safety.tn.gov/>. Choose the form for "New to Tennessee." Bring the printout along with all the other documents listed above when you go to the DMV in order to make your waiting time shorter.

For questions about which documents you can use to prove citizenship or residency, contact the Help Desk at the Department of Safety and Homeland Security at (866) 849-3548.