

## 2025-2026 ELECTIONS

# Acceptable forms of Photo ID



The following IDs **must be** valid and unexpired or expired for one year or less:



- NC driver's license or state ID from the NCDMV ("non-operator ID")
- Driver's license or non-operator card from another state, D.C., or U.S. territory (*Voter must have registered in NC within 90 days of the election*)
- U.S. Passport book or U.S. Passport card
- NC voter photo ID card, issued by a county board of elections
- Student & government-employee photo IDs approved by the State Board of Elections<sup>1</sup> (*complete list on following page*)



**NOTE:** Voters **65+** may use an expired form of acceptable ID if the ID was unexpired on their 65th birthday.



The following IDs are **not required** to have an expiration date. If such ID has an expiration date, the ID is an acceptable form of ID even if it is expired:



- Military or veterans photo ID card (with photo) issued by the US government
- ID card (with photo) issued by an agency of the US or NC government for a public assistance program
- Tribal enrollment card (with photo) issued by a tribe recognized by the State or federal government<sup>2</sup>
  - Cherokee-Eastern Band
  - Coharie Tribe
  - Haliwa-Saponi Tribe
  - Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina
  - Meherrin Tribe
  - Occaneechi-Saponi Tribe
  - Saponny Tribe
  - Waccamaw Siouan Tribe



<sup>1</sup> Once the State Board approves an institution's photo ID card, older photo IDs for that institution that remain in circulation are valid for voting, so long as the voter's ID is valid and unexpired. A photo ID card that has no expiration date is not expired.

<sup>2</sup> Tribes listed here are located in North Carolina, but enrollment cards from all federally recognized tribes are permitted. (All federally recognized tribes are listed in a separate document.)

# APPROVED STUDENT & GOVERNMENT-EMPLOYEE PHOTO IDS

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STUDENT

EMPLOYEE

BOTH

## A - G

- B** Alamance Community College: Includes Early College Students & Employees
- B** Appalachian State University
- S** Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College
- S** Beaufort County Community College
- S** Caldwell Community College & Technical Institute
- E** Caldwell County Government
- E** Caldwell County Sheriff's Office
- S** Campbell University: Student Voter ID
- B** Cape Fear Community College
- S** Catawba College: Catawba OneCard
- E** Chatham County Schools
- S** Chowan University: HawksCard
- E** City of Conover
- E** City of Gastonia
- S** Cleveland Community College
- S** College of the Albemarle
- S** Davidson College: CatCard
- S** Davidson-Davie Community College: Student Voter ID
- S** Duke University: Student Voter ID Card and DukeCard
- E** Durham County Government
- S** Durham Technical Community College
- B** East Carolina University
- S** Elizabeth City State University
- S** Elon University
- B** Fayetteville State University
- E** Girls Leadership Acad. of Wilmington
- E** Greene County Government
- S** Guilford College

## H - R

- S** Halifax Community College
- S** Isothermal Community College: Includes REaCH Student Early College ID
- S** James Sprunt Community College
- E** KIPP NC Public Schools
- S** Lees-McRae College
- S** Lenoir-Rhyne University
- S** Livingstone College
- S** Mars Hill University
- S** Mayland Community College
- S** Meredith College
- S** Methodist University
- B** NC Agricultural & Technical State University
- B** North Carolina Central University
- E** NC Dept. of Administration/State of North Carolina<sup>1</sup>
- E** NC Dept. of Adult Correction
- E** NC Dept. of Insurance
- B** North Carolina State University
- E** Orange County Government
- S** Piedmont Community College
- B** Pitt Community College
- S** Queens University of Charlotte
- B** Randolph Community College
- B** Rowan-Cabarrus Community College

## S - Z

- S** Saint Augustine's University
- B** Sandhills Community College: Includes SandHoke Early College Student ID
- S** Shaw University
- S** Southwestern Community College
- E** The Franklin School of Innovation
- E** Town of Hillsborough
- B** Univ. of North Carolina Asheville
- B** University of North Carolina Chapel Hill: Physical Card Only
- B** Univ. of North Carolina Charlotte: Physical Card Only
- B** Univ. of North Carolina Greensboro
- B** Univ. of North Carolina Pembroke
- B** Univ. of North Carolina School of the Arts
- B** Univ. of North Carolina Wilmington
- S** Wake Forest University: Deacon OneCard
- S** Wake Technical Community College
- S** Warren Wilson College
- S** Wayne Community College: Includes Early/Middle College Student ID
- B** Western Carolina University
- S** Western Piedmont Community College
- B** Wilkes Community College
- S** Wilson Community College
- S** Wingate University
- B** Winston-Salem State University

<sup>1</sup>Approval applies to all State employee identification cards that are issued by and the property of the North Carolina Department of Administration. All cards issued by the North Carolina Department of Administration have this language on the back of the employee ID card.