

VOTER'S GUIDE

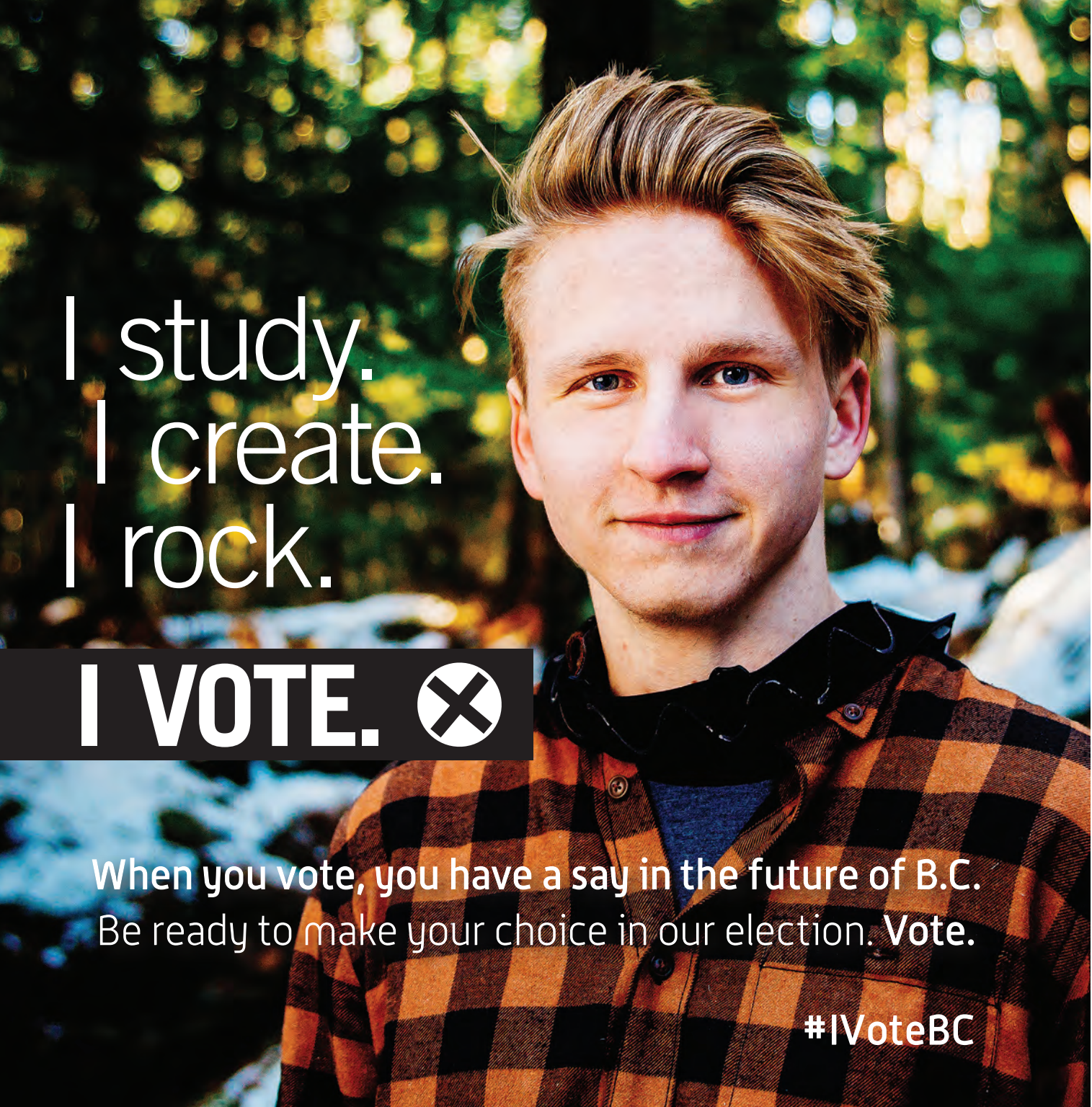
2017 Provincial General Election

General Voting Day is Tuesday, May 9, 2017.



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When you vote, you have a say in the future of B.C.
Be ready to make your choice in our election. **Vote.**

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WHAT ARE WE VOTING FOR?

Eligible voters in B.C. are voting to elect 87 Members of the Legislative Assembly. Each Member represents an electoral district (also known as a riding or constituency) and has a seat in the provincial Legislature.

After all the votes are counted for each electoral district, the political party that wins the most seats forms the provincial government. The leader of that party becomes the Premier of B.C.

WHO CAN VOTE?

You can vote if you are:

- 18 or older on May 9, 2017,
- a Canadian citizen, and
- a resident of B.C. for the past six months.

WHAT'S MY ELECTORAL DISTRICT?

Electoral districts have changed since the 2013 Provincial General Election. There are 87 electoral districts in this election, up from 85 in 2013.

Find yours online at elections.bc.ca/maps.



WRIT DAY

APRIL 11

The day the election is called

APRIL 18

Candidate nominations close at
1 p.m. Pacific time

How can I vote?

There are lots of ways to vote in B.C., and all voters can vote at any voting place in the province.

ADVANCE VOTING

Advance voting is open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. (local time) on April 29 and April 30, and May 3 to May 6.

All advance voting places are wheelchair accessible.


GENERAL VOTING

General Voting Day is May 9. Voting is open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. (Pacific time).

WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN YOU VOTE

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At the voting place an election worker will greet you and show you to the right table.



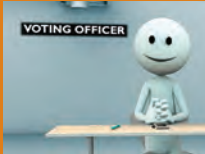
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At the table show the election workers your ID. Then sign the voting book.



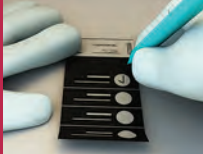
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The election worker will give you your ballot.




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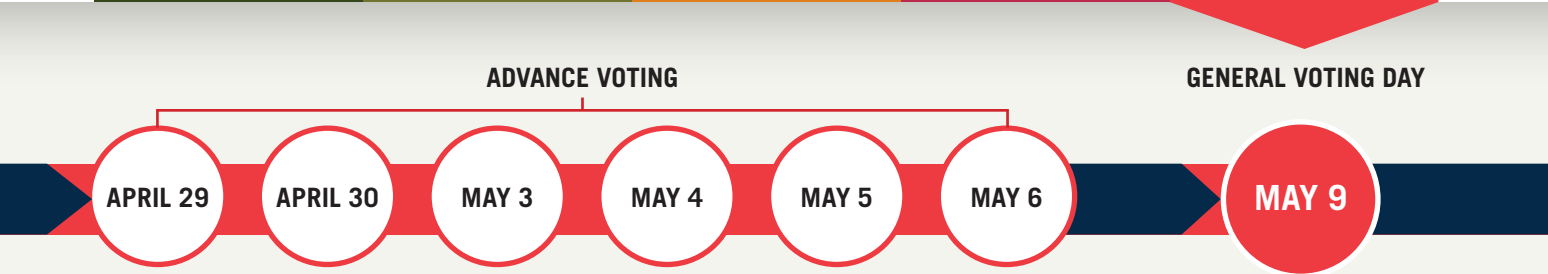
Take the ballot behind the voting screen, unfold it, and mark it with an ✕ or ✓. Return your ballot to the election worker.



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You or the election worker can put your ballot in the ballot box. There! **You voted.**

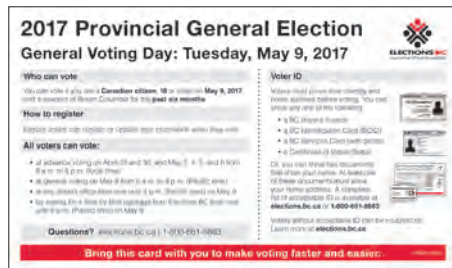




Preliminary results announced after 8 p.m. Pacific time

WHERE DO I VOTE?

Look for your Where to Vote card in the mail, or visit elections.bc.ca/wtv to find your assigned voting place or voting places near you.



VOTER CHECKLIST

- ☐ CHECK YOUR ELIGIBILITY
- ☐ FIND YOUR ELECTORAL DISTRICT
- ☐ RESEARCH THE CANDIDATES
- ☐ WATCH FOR YOUR WHERE TO VOTE CARD IN THE MAIL
- ☐ MAKE SURE YOU HAVE ACCEPTABLE ID
- ☐ DECIDE HOW YOU ARE GOING TO VOTE
- ☐ **VOTE** AND MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD!

WHAT ID DO I NEED?

You must prove your identity and home address to vote in a provincial election. You can:

1. Show one of these:

- a BC driver's licence,
- a BC Identification Card (BCID),
- a BC Services Card (with photo),
- a Certificate of Indian Status

OR

2. Show two documents, both with your name and at least one with your current home address.

Voters without ID can be vouched for.
Learn more about voter ID and vouching at
elections.bc.ca or by calling 1-800-661-8683.

FINAL RESULTS ANNOUNCED

MAY 24

RETURN DAY

MAY 31

The writs of election are returned to the Chief Electoral Officer, ending the election period



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