

Connecticut is one of the few remaining states that does not offer no-excuse absentee voting or early voting as standard election procedures.

All Connecticut residents, irrespective of any party affiliation, benefit when voting is made as easy as possible. The option to mail in or drop off a ballot helps the disabled, the elderly who can no longer drive, and those with fragile health (cancer patients, the immunocompromised, hospitalized persons) who are at risk if exposed to contagious illness - not only COVID but also the flu, viral pneumonia, etc. Mail-in and early voting also allow employees to best organize their participation in the election and they encourage everyone to vote as well.

*With these options, there is "no excuse NOT to vote"!*

Permitting citizens to register and vote on Election Day prevents disenfranchisement as people who may have moved or otherwise omitted to register or update their registration can amend this matter on Election Day if necessary.

I hope our legislature will acknowledge and enshrine all of the benefits these options provide. None of them have ever been found to cause significant fraud, as our 2020 elections so strongly proved.

Thank you for considering my opinion.

Best regards,  
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