Do you Know your Voting Rights?

Take the quiz, then check your answers on the back of this sheet!

Circle the correct answers.

1. If the polls close while you are still in line...

- a. You have the right to vote, no matter how long it takes.
- b. You have the right to vote only within the next half hour.
- c. You have missed the window to vote.

2. True or false: If you make a mistake on your ballot you can ask for a new one.

a. True

b. False

3. True or false: If you have difficulty reading and writing in English or have a disability, you may receive in-person assistance at the polls from a person of your choice.

a. True

b. False

4. True or false: If a polling place is not fully accessible to older adults and voters with disabilities, the polling place can meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements by allowing curbside voting.

a. True

b. False

5. True or false: If the machines are down at your polling place, you should ask for a paper ballot.

a. True

b. False

Do you Know your Voting Rights? Answer Key

1. If the polls close while you are still in line...

The correct answer is A. If the polls close while you are still in line, stay in line! You have the right to vote, no matter how long it takes.

2. True or false: If you make a mistake on your ballot, you cannot ask for a new one. This is true! If you make a mistake on your ballot, you can and should ask for a new one (assuming you have not already submitted it).

3. True or false: If you have difficulty reading and writing in English or have a disability, you may receive in-person assistance at the polls from a person of your choice.

This is true! The only restrictions are that the person assisting you may not be your employer, an agent of your employer, or an agent or officer in the voters' union. The helper must respect your privacy, only looking at your ballot if you ask them to.

4. True or false: If a polling place is not fully accessible to older adults and voters with disabilities, the polling place can meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements by allowing curbside voting.

This is false! All polling places for federal elections are required to be fully accessible under the Americans with Disabilities Act. Simply allowing curbside voting does not meet these requirements. Additionally, each polling place must have at least one voting system that allows voters with disabilities to vote privately and independently (such as reading the ballot to you, or letting you vote by pushing buttons. Election officials must make reasonable accommodations as needed to help you vote and provide you with assistance if it is possible for them to do so.

5. True or false: If the machines are down at your polling place, you should ask for a paper ballot.

This is true!