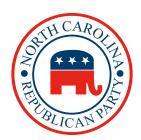# NCGOP

2021 STATE CONVENTION

WELCOME

I'm excited to welcome you to the annual North Carolina Republican Party State Convention in Greenville. Our State Conventions have been an essential Party function for over one hundred and fifty years, but this year is especially significant. Republicans have never been so energized, focused, or united on electing leaders who will put North Carolina - and America - first. At this event, Activists, Delegates, Alternates, and Guests will gather to hear from top Republican lawmakers, meet candidates, vote on statewide Party leadership, and conduct official business.

Last year, we were all deeply disappointed that Governor Roy Cooper's COVID-19 mandates prevented us from holding a physical State Convention. While our virtual State Convention was a success, we are more eager than ever to come together as the North Carolina Republican Party.

I am thrilled we are able to hold a physical component to this year's State Convention while also offering a virtual component for those needing that option. To ensure the safety of all attendees, all events comply with state, federal, and local COVID-19 regulations. We are grateful for the cooperation and support of public health experts, the Greenville Convention Center staff, our host hotels, and vendors who have made this event possible.

The North Carolina Republican Party's tremendous accomplishments in the past election cycle have given us so much to celebrate. We delivered our state for President Trump and Senator Tillis, won all contested Congressional seats, won six seats on the Council of State (the most ever), swept our statewide judicial races, secured historic down-ballot wins, and much more. We have a lot of work before us as we prepare for the 2022 election cycle, and I am excited to kick off our efforts this weekend as we organize our Party. Thank you for joining us at this year's State Convention. I look forward to a memorable, successful, and productive weekend!

Michael Whatley
Chairman, NCGOP

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, June 3

4:00PM   Registration Pick-up Closes at 7:00PM .... Convention Center, Concourse

7:00PM   Welcome Reception..Convention Center, Emerald Room

Friday, June 4

8:00AM   Registration Pick-up Closes at 4:00pm .... Convention Center, Concourse

9:00AM   BREAKOUT SESSIONS... Convention Center, Gallery 2-3
            Digital Overview, and Data Center

10:00AM   Central Committee Meeting... Convention Center, Emerald Room

12:00PM   County Chairman Lunch... Convention Center, Exhibit Hall

2:00PM   Afternoon Business Session..Hilton, Carolina Ballroom

5:00PM   VIP Reception North Carolina Council of State .... Convention Center, Emerald Room

6:00PM   The Old North State Dinner .... Convention Center, Exhibit Hall
            Speakers: Lieutenant Governor Mark Robinson,
            Congressman Madison Cawthorn, State Senator Deanna Ballard,
            Charlotte City Councilman Tariq Bokhari

8:00PM   Chairman's Reception .... Convention Center, Emerald Room

Saturday, June 5

8:00AM   Registration Pick-up Closes at 2:00PM..Convention Center, Concourse

8:00AM   Judicial Victory Fund Breakfast... Convention Center, Exhibit Hall
            Speaker: Chief Justice Paul Newby

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Saturday, June 5

9:30AM   Morning Business Session ....Hilton, Carolina Ballroom

12:00PM   Congressional Lunch with The Honorable Kristi Noem................Convention Center Exhibit Hall

2:00PM   Afternoon Business Session..Hilton, Carolina Ballroom

5:30PM   VIP Reception with President Donald J. Trump.......................... Convention Center, Emerald Room

5:30PM   Saturday Night Dinner with President Donald J. Trump............. Convention Center, Emerald Room

8:00PM   State Legislative Reception...Convention Center, Emerald Room

Sunday, June 6

9:00AM   NCGOP Prayer Breakfast .... Convention Center, Exhibit Hall

10:30AM   Executive Committee Meeting ....Convention Center, Emerald Room

ELECTION BUDDY

Election Buddy Instructions

Due to the hybrid format of the Convention this year, we will be using a tool called Election Buddy for voting. Election Buddy enables secure and anonymous live voting during the Convention, right from your phone or computer.

In order to be prepared on Convention day, we ask all participants to complete the process below in advance.

1. A few days prior to the Convention, an email with the subject line "Practice Ballot for NCGOP State Convention – State Convention Notification Ballot (Please Open)" will be sent to everyone who has been credentialed. This email will contain an access key, password, and a link to the Election Buddy system. *Please keep an eye out for this email and complete the instructions below.*

2. Click the link, which will open Election Buddy in your web browser window. Then click the button labeled "StateNotify" to begin.
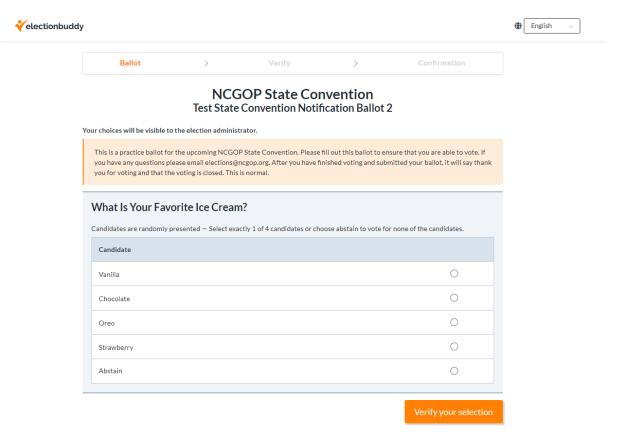

3. The Sign In to Vote screen will appear. Login using the credentials provided in the email. Usually, the access key will look something like 12345 and the password will be four digits (e.g., 1456). After entering the credentials, click "Authenticate" to complete login.
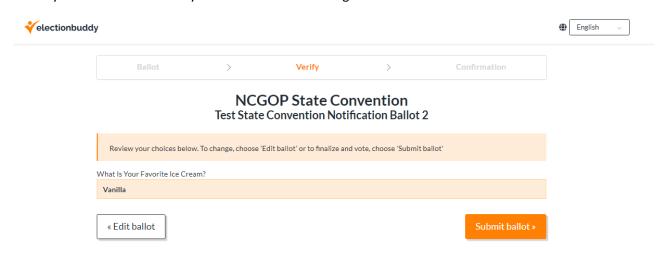
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4. After logging in, the current active ballots will appear. (During this initial login, the "ballot" will simply be a Notification/Practice Test.) Select the choice(s) you wish to vote for and click Verify Your Selection. Please ensure you fill out all of the votes even if you are abstaining, or else the process can't continue.
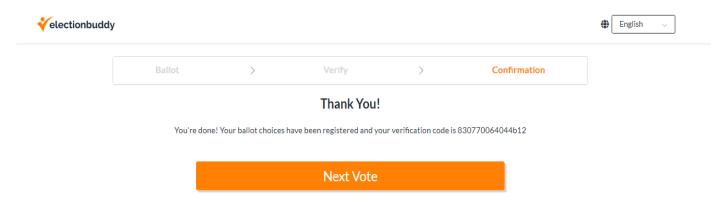
5. On the Verify screen, the ballot will be shown back to you with the selection(s) you made. Review it carefully, then click Submit Ballot. *Once a ballot is submitted, it can no longer be changed*, so be sure your choices are accurately reflected on the Verify screen before submitting.

6. You have now voted. You should see a "Thank You!" Confirmation screen acknowledging that your vote has been registered for that ballot.

7. Click the Next Vote button to go to the page that shows any additional ballots (e.g., approving the slate of officers, voting for/against a resolution, etc.), as each comes up for a vote. When the next ballot becomes available, it should automatically open if you remain on the page. However, if you are having difficulty finding the next ballot, try refreshing the Next Vote page or return to the email and follow the link on the bottom of the email. This should take you to the next ballot.

8. If you experience technical difficulties and need to contact someone for help with Election Buddy during the Convention, send an email to { HYPERLINK "mailto:elections@ncgop.org" } which will be constantly monitored throughout the Convention.

Thank you for your cooperation!