My Voice,
My Caymanian Voters' Guide

HOW TO USE YOUR CAYMANIAN VOTER’S VOICE
One of the ways young people become invested in the democratic process is by becoming empowered advocates for civic participation in their local communities. When young people understand they have the power to use their voices in a political election, they are more likely to be involved and register to vote when they are eligible.

In preparation for Election Day in the Cayman Islands on Wednesday, 14 April 2021, as a young person who wants to be involved, you can do so by informing others about the election and reminding them to vote if they are eligible.

Create a Caymanian Voter’s Guide including information about registering to vote, voters’ rights, important voting dates and deadlines, and an overview of what to expect at the polls. You can then use your research to inform and encourage families, friends and community members to use their voice and to vote in this important election.

HOW TO GATHER INFORMATION FOR YOUR CAYMANIAN VOTER’S GUIDE
Use the following questions to help you gather the information you’ll need for your Voter’s Guide. Write down your findings and create a “fact sheet” for a small printed booklet that you can share with others. Using stick figures, draw an illustration of voters standing in line to vote on the cover or use one of the posters at the end of this activity.
REGISTRATION TO VOTE
- Are citizens automatically registered?
- Can voters register online?
- Can voters register on Election day?
- Can young people register to vote before they turn 18?
- Are special IDs required to register to vote?

VOTERS’ RIGHTS
- Is early voting permitted
- How can a disabled person vote?
- How can someone with a felony conviction vote?

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES
- What is the deadline for submitting a voter registration form?
- What is the deadline for an absentee ballot request?
- When does early voting begin?
- What time are the polls open on Election Day?

WHAT TO EXPECT AT THE POLLS
- What will the ballot look like?
- How long will it take to vote?
- What IDs should a voter bring?
- Who can help at the polls if you have questions?

GO!
Distribute copies of your Voter’s Guide to your classmates, other classes, families, the larger school community and outside community members. Encourage everybody to help you get people to go out and vote on Election Day.

If this type of campaigning continues through social networking, through get-out-and-vote and get-out-the-votes efforts, young voters can not only increase their turnout in the 2021 elections but can increase it by incredible margins when they go to the polls. They need to show up in droves to help choose the next government of the Cayman Islands.

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“All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights.”

— The Universal Declaration of Human Rights
We Have To Embrace Our Differences To Create Freedom & Acceptance For All

-Jazz Jennings

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Each of us has a magic inside of us that we can use to make the world a better place.

-Marley Dias

When Marley Dias was in the sixth grade, she got tired of never seeing herself in the books she read for school. So she founded #1000BlackGirlBooks, collected thousands of stories featuring black girls as main characters and donated them to schools. In 2018, she even published a book of her own, Marley Dias Gets It Done: And So Can You! At that time, the author and activist was only 13 years old.