

Notice to Families
Information Sharing Agreement with Chief Electoral Officer of Nova Scotia

In accordance with Sections 42(4), 42A and 43(5) of the *Elections Act*, the Chief Electoral Officer of Nova Scotia is authorized to gather and maintain information about 16- and 17-year-olds who would qualify as electors when they become 18 years of age. In addition, it authorizes for Elections Nova Scotia to be provided the personal information held by a public body as required to create, revise or update the Register of Electors. The Register of Electors is a database of Nova Scotians who are qualified to vote in provincial elections.

An Information Sharing Agreement signed by the Strait Regional Centre for Education (SRCE) with the Chief Electoral Officer of Nova Scotia authorizes the SRCE to share, on an annual basis, information about 16- and 17-year-old students directly with Elections Nova Scotia for the sole purpose of adding them to the electoral list when they become eligible at the age of 18. The specific information to be shared includes student ID, school name, student's full name, gender, date of birth, mailing address, civic address and indicates if a student is currently enrolled in school.

Elections Nova Scotia is subject to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIPOP) Act and collects information under this agreement for electoral purposes only. Please note that as students reach 18 years of age and are added to the Register of Electors, they may correct and/or update their information and/or opt out of the registry at that time if they wish by application to the Elections Nova Scotia Office.

If you have any questions or require clarification, please contact Elections Nova Scotia by phone at 902-424-8584 or by email at elections@novascotia.ca or the Regional Centre's Information Access and Privacy Manager at 902-625-2191.