

Assemblymember

Jo Anne Simon 52nd District



Announcements & Upcoming Events

August 2018

A Message from Jo Anne...

This month, we recognize the anniversary of the 1965 Voting Rights Act and reflect on how far we've come – and just how much work still needs to be done to ensure easy access to the voting booth for everyone. I will continue to fight for voting reforms in NY, including early voting, no-excuse absentee voting and more. Please spread the word about the upcoming voter registration deadlines.

Thursday, September 13, 2018 State & Local Primary Deadlines:

- Mail Registration: postmarked by August 19th & received by August 24th.
- In Person Registration: August 19th (Brooklyn Board of Elections: 345 Adams St., 4th Fl., Brooklyn, NY 11201). Each of the Board of Elections Borough Offices of the NYC Board of Elections will be open on Sunday, August 19 from 9am-7pm to accept in-person voter registration applications.
- Change of Address: August 24th
- <u>Absentee Ballot</u>: Postmark <u>application</u> by September 6th or apply in-person by September 12th. Postmark <u>ballot</u> by September 12th (received by September 20th). Deliver in-person ballot by Sept. 13 (someone other than voter).

Tuesday, November 6, 2018 General Election Deadlines:

- Mail Registration: postmarked by October 12th & received by October 17th.
- In Person Registration: October 12th
- Change of Address: October 17th
- <u>Absentee Ballot</u>: Postmark <u>application</u> by October 30th or apply in-person by November 5th. Postmark the <u>ballot</u> by November 5th (received by November 19th). Deliver in-person ballot by November 6th (someone other than voter).

Change of Enrollment: An application to change one's party enrollment for 2019 must be received by October 12th, 2018.

Register to Vote: http://voting.nyc/

For community and policy updates, sign up for my email alerts by emailing simonj@nysassembly.gov.

Sincerely,

Jo Anne Simon

<u>Java with Jo Anne, 8/16</u>: Is there a community issue or current event you're passionate about? Come and talk with me about it! Join me for a cup of coffee at my next "Java with Jo Anne." I'll be at <u>Daly Pie</u> in Prospect Heights on Thurs., August 16, from 8:30AM-10:30AM.

<u>Free Summer Meals for all Youth 18 Years Old and Under</u>. Participating schools, pools, parks, and libraries will provide free breakfast and lunch to all children 18 years old and under until August 31st. No registration, documentation, or ID is required. <u>To find participating location and check out menus, click here</u>.

<u>Join our new Youth Policy Council!</u> Students in grades 8-12 are invited to join the Youth Policy Council, which will advise representatives on legislative matters and solutions to everyday problems that students face. Students will have a unique opportunity to make real change by working directly with their own representatives. I am coordinating the council with Council Member Stephen Levin, and State Senators Brian Kavanagh and Velmanette Montgomery. <u>Students should here apply ASAP</u> or email <u>joanne@simonforbrooklyn.com</u>.

<u>City Hall In Our Borough: City Resource Fair, 8/22</u>. Meet with top city commissioners and senior staff at Ingersoll Community Center – University Settlement, 177 Myrtle Ave. to address your questions and concerns on Wed. Aug. 22nd, 2018 from 12noon to 3pm. Top representatives from City Hall, Department of Transportation, Department of Finance, NYPD, Economic Development Corporation, Department of Education, Department of Health, Small Business Services, Department of Parks and Recreation, and more will be there to answer your questions. You can sign up to attend City Hall In Your Borough here.

<u>D15 Diversity Plan</u>: Final Comments and Questions. In June, the District 15 Diversity Plan Working Group came out with their final recommendations for D15 which you can find <u>here</u>. Over the past 6 months, the D15 Diversity Plan Working Group and School Community have worked collaboratively to develop a set of recommendations to create diverse, meaningfully integrated middle schools. The final recommendations were sent to the Department of Education in July. You can provide any feedback or ask questions about the diversity plan at info@d15diversityplan.com. Click here for details on the diversity plan.

84th Precinct NCO Meeting, 9/12. Sector A of the 84th Precinct is hosting their Neighborhood Coordination Officer (NCO) public safety meeting on Wednesday, September 12th, at 6:30pm at Borough Hall, 209 Joralemon St. (light refreshments at 6:00pm). Come and discuss your public safety needs and concerns with your local law enforcement officers. To find your NCO Sector, view the map on the 84th Precinct's website.

Save the Date: SCRIE/DRIE & Homeowner's Tax Exemption Enrollment Event, 9/21

I am partnering with the NYC Dept. of Finance to help you enroll in programs like the Senior Citizen Homeowner's Exemption (SCHE), Disabled Homeowner's Exemption (DHE), Enhanced STAR, Senior Citizen Rent Increase Exemption (SCRIE), Disability Rent Increase Exemption (DRIE), and more! The event is on Sept. 21st, 10am-12 pm at the Brooklyn Public Library, Brooklyn Heights Branch, 109 Remsen St.. More info to come!

New Policies on Smoking in Residential Buildings

Effective 8/28, NYC residential buildings with 3 or more units will be required to create a policy on smoking within residential units. These must be disclosed to all current and future tenants, and they must be reminded of the policy annually. You can find more info on the new City Council law here. View a sample policy, and if you would like to adopt a No Smoking policy, you can find instructions and print signs from the Dept. of Health's website.

Community Education Council (CEC) 15 Looking for a Student Member

CEC15 is seeking a student member who is looking for a way to engage in the community and give their input about public school education in District 15. If you know a high school student who will be a senior this fall, they are eligible to be a CEC15 student member! To apply, email ccecinfo@schools.nyc.gov for an application. The deadline to apply is 9/30. To learn more about CECs: http://nycparentleaders.org.

NOTE: To get involved in the efforts to save school speed safety cameras, contact <u>Transportation Alternatives</u> and <u>Families for Safe Streets</u>. For more background on this issue, <u>read my statement</u> or <u>listen here</u>.

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