THE HISTORY OF STAR VOTING

STAR Voting was created in 2014 after a group of election scientists from around the nation gathered at the Equal Vote Conference at the University of Oregon. Necessity is the mother of invention and STAR Voting emerged as a new model for fair elections.

A hybrid of Score Voting and Instant Runoff Voting, STAR combines the best aspects of both to offer more accurate results than either.

The Equal Vote Coalition, a registered non-profit, remains the driving force behind STAR.

STAR VOTING

Score candidates from 0 - 5 stars. If you don’t have a preference you can give candidates the same score. Those you leave blank receive a zero.

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The two highest scoring candidates are finalists. The finalist preferred by the majority wins.
WHY IS STAR VOTING BETTER?
The 5 STAR ballot lets you show who you prefer, and how much or little you like each candidate.

If your favorites can’t win, your vote automatically transfers to the finalist you preferred, so your vote still makes a difference.

STAR Voting allows you to express your full, honest opinion without worrying about strategic voting or having to vote “Lesser Evil.”

STAR Voting eliminates Vote Splitting and the “Spoiler Effect.”

STAR Voting inspires voter participation by skipping the low-turnout primary and just requiring one inclusive election in November.

Only having to run a single election saves taxpayers money, while helping candidates with smaller budgets compete.

STAR Voting gives 3rd party candidates and non-affiliated candidates a fair chance of winning.

With STAR Voting every voter is equally powerful, no matter how many candidates are in the race.

THE BASICS OF STAR VOTING
S.T.A.R stands for Score Then Automatic Runoff and that’s exactly how it works.

Score candidates from 0 up to 5 stars. You may give the same score to multiple candidates.

The top two scoring candidates go on to an automatic runoff and your full vote goes to the finalist you scored higher.

If you scored both finalists equally, then you vote no preference between those two. If you left a candidate’s score blank, they get a zero.

This system eliminates the need for a primary election.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED
★ Vote YES on STAR Voting or help collect signatures for an initiative in your area.
★ Volunteer or join the email list: join@equal.vote:
★ Put up a lawn sign
★ Come canvassing with us: canvass@equal.vote
★ Donate: starvoting.us/donate
★ Follow “STAR Voting” and “Equal Vote” on social media.
★ Test drive STAR Voting with your own poll or election at http://star.vote
★ Spread the word!