What questions should you ask before you share information about elections online?

**Have you read, listened, or watched before sharing?**

Reviewing information about elections before sharing can prevent you from spreading false information. Online information about elections is often taken out of context or not shared in its entirety. If you don’t have time to dig deeper, don’t share.

**Is this a credible source for election information?**

Reliable sources are transparent about who creates their content, provide background details about their creators, and are clear about how they gather information. Look for election officials in reporting about elections - they are the most reliable source of accurate information.

**Do you know where this election content originated?**

Information spreads quickly online and we can lose sight of where it originated. To assess credibility, you must start with the original source. If you cannot find the origin, you should not assume it is credible nor should you share it.

**Why are you sharing this information about elections?**

Before you share, check in on your emotions and intent. Reflecting can allow you to pause and assess the reasoning behind your share. It’s easy to respond or share when something you see makes you angry or sad, but don’t let emotions be the reason you share.

For reliable information about elections where you live, talk to your election officials.

Find your state or territorial election office at www.NASED.org | @NASEDOrg

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