



**In 2021, commissions will redraw congressional and legislative districts. You can help draw fair districts that adhere to the state's constitution and end gerrymandering by serving on one of these commissions. Applications can be submitted from early August through November 10. Sign up to apply today!**

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### **What is redistricting?**

Every 10 years, after the decennial Census, the U.S. Constitution and United States Supreme Court require states to redraw congressional and legislative districts to equalize population. This process is called redistricting.

### **What is Gerrymandering?**

In practice, the process of redistricting is highly political. Interest groups, such as political parties and incumbent politicians, work behind the scenes to draw districts to their advantage. Often, one party will attempt to “pack” as many of the opposing party’s voters into as few districts as possible to make the surrounding districts more favorable to their own party. This is called gerrymandering. In recent decades, Colorado has increasingly experienced gerrymandering.



### **2021: A New System**

Because of Colorado’s recent history of highly contentious redistricting cycles that too often yielded gerrymandered maps designed to promote the interests of one or the other political party, Colorado voters in 2018 passed Amendments Y and Z to the Colorado constitution. These amendments create politically balanced commissions – each composed of four Republican, four Democrat and four Unaffiliated members – to redraw the maps, using neutral criteria and nonpartisan staff.

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