



# Draw the Lines

## How to meet with your state lawmakers

You've drawn an election map. Now, use it to slay the gerrymander. Set up a meeting with your elected officials to show them your map and discuss how you think redistricting should be done in 2021.

### WHO

The General Assembly, made up of state senators and representatives, controls PA's redistricting.

Find out who your representative and senator are and how to contact them:  
[www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/legis/home/find\\_yourlegislator/](http://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/legis/home/find_yourlegislator/)

### WHY

- 1) Show that the people of PA really do care about this issue.
- 2) Demonstrate a key argument in favor of reform: Regular people are ready, willing and able to draw election districts.
- 3) Tell your elected officials how you'd like to see the redistricting process improved.

### WHAT

Contact lawmakers' district offices to set up a constituent meeting to share your map and discuss this issue. Legislators really do care about what their constituents think.

### WHERE & WHEN

Local district office visits (as opposed to visits to Harrisburg) tend to be easier to schedule and make more of an impact.

If you are part of a high school or college class, it's likely that lawmakers will come to you. Draw the Lines staff can assist you or your teacher in setting that up.

When? As soon as you're ready. Reach out to the lawmakers' offices to get on their busy calendars.

### HOW

We highly recommend reviewing our comprehensive guide, **Visit Your Lawmaker**, on the Participate page of our website.

Take pictures and tag us @drawthelinespa

Contact us at [info@drawthelinespa.org](mailto:info@drawthelinespa.org) for help setting up a visit.

Make an "ask". This could be a request to support the Draw the Lines project. Or a pitch for a specific reform you'd like them to support.

Remember, Draw the Lines isn't advocating any one reform or a particular map. We simply believe voters should have more of a voice.