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Hello,

The voting age must remain at 18 years of age. Limits are limits. We need to secure the voting laws for developed minds. As a country we have deemed 18 to be an adult and we need to uphold this standard. We need to have integrity in everything we do and we need to insure children get the full education they are required to receive before entering the voting pool.

I know in my youth at 16, 17, and still at 18, I was not cognoscente of the ramifications of the importance of an informed voting decisions and how they ultimately impact our future as a state and a country. I needed further experience, paying taxes, working full-time, learning about the justice system, paying for my own medical bills, buying a home, and so much more before I could really understand the decisions that were being made through voting. Even at 18 years old the youth of today do not have the wisdom and foresight of what they are voting for, it's still too common for the youth to buy into peer pressure, the "popular" propaganda. At 18, I got great grades, headed to college, had a good head of my shoulders, never did drugs and I can honestly say I was too young to be voting, until I had life experience away from my parents roof. I humbly seek you not to lower the voting age. In my unpopular opinion, if anything we need to increase the voting age to 21, to secure more life experience for informed decisions to be made while voting. We need to hold high standards for our country.

Thank you for listening,
Jennifer