Hopkins Votes: Make a Plan to Vote in the 2020 Election

Family Weekend: October 2-4, 2020
HOPKINS☆VOTES
Agenda

• Welcome
• Overview of Hopkins Votes and Hopkins voting rates
• Mail-in vs. In-person
• Deadlines
• Resources
• Questions
Who We Are

Hopkins Votes is a nonpartisan university-wide initiative that strives to educate and empower all JHU members to participate in the democratic process.

- Hopkins Votes Ambassadors
- Faculty/staff
- Students
- YOU!
5 Components of Hopkins Votes

- Voter Registration
- Voter Education
- Ballot Access
- Get Out The Vote
- Census Outreach
Hopkins by the Numbers

The following statistics were reported by the National Study of Learning, Voting, and Engagement
Overall voting rate: 55.8%
In-person voting rate: 36.2%
Voting rate for Arts and Science Students: 62.8%
Voting rate for Engineering Students: 46.9%
2018

Overall voting rate: 44.8%
In-person voting rate: 36.8%
Voting rate for Arts and Science Students: 57.3%
Voting rate for Engineering Students: 35.0%
Registering to Vote

But, how do I register to vote? Where do I go? What do I do?
What Method Should I Use to Vote?

In-person vs. Mail-in Voting
Voting in Person

• 42 states allow early voting, check your state's rules and available polling sites
• If voting on Election Day, be sure you bring the necessary identification (each state's requirements are different)
• Find your specific polling site
Mail-in Ballots

• Most states allow mail-in ballots as an option with no justification (some require a reason for mailing in)
• Mail-in and absentee ballots are the same thing
• Two options for submitting: send via USPS or find a local dropbox
• To check on the status of your ballot...
Get Informed

Where can I find more information on candidates and measures?
Who is on my ballot?
• President of the U.S.A.
• County Judge
• State Treasurer
• Sheriff
• State senate

What is on my ballot?
• Ballot initiatives (Yes/No)
Hopkins Votes Toolkit

- All materials are easily accessible on the Hopkins Votes Toolkit that can be accessed on at hopkinsvotes.jhu.edu
- Toolkit resources include:
  - Voter Registration Email Templates
  - Hopkins Votes Branded Email Signatures
  - Faculty Content
  - Voter Registration Slides for Zoom / PPT Presentations
  - Hopkins Votes Marketing Materials
  - National Study of Learning, Voting, and Engagement (NSLVE) JHU Student Voting Data
  - Social Media Assets
  - Zoom or Microsoft Teams Virtual Background
Next Steps…

• Make YOUR plan to vote
• Talk with your family to ensure that they have registered and are creating their own plan

Election Day: Tuesday, Nov 3, 2020

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Questions?
Access voter registration materials by scanning the QR code or by visiting jhu.turbovote.org