



## **Bishop State Community College 2020 Action Plan**

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### **Executive Summary:**

Currently, we are still dealing with the challenges associated with COVID-19. There are limited students on campus. Through electronic communication we have encouraged our students to register to vote and to vote. There are signs on campus reminding students of election day and to vote. Some students have participated in phone and text banking. All of our campus receive the same treatment. This is a regular on-going effort to get out the vote, while we amp up the push closer to state and national elections. Our short and long term goals are to increase our registered voter count and to ensure that the students actually vote.

### **Leadership:**

Our leadership team includes the following:

Symantha McDonald, Coordinator of Student Activities  
Michellin Williams, Administrative Assistant to the Dean of Students  
Wilbert Bryant, Dean of Students  
Bishop State Wildcat Ambassadors  
Bishop State Student Government Association  
Local Board of Registrars

### **Commitment:**

Our campus has not yet signed the Higher Education Presidents' Commitment to Full Student Voter Participation.

Our campus has used the following methods to communicate with students about the election:

By email, By posting on institutional social media channels

### **Landscape:**

Our campus demographic and voting data:

There are currently 1600 students on campus. We don't have a great measure of past voter turnout but we always encourage registration and voting. Women 58% to Men 42% . Black 66% Caucasian 25% 9% Other

### **Goals:**

Our campus democratic engagement goals are:

To increase registrations and voter turnout amongst our campus community

### **Strategy:**

Our campus has used the following strategies and organized the following events:

In-person voter registration drives, In-person voter education events (e.g. film screenings, debates, lecture series, etc.), Virtual voter registration drives (e.g. Couch Party text banking events), Virtual voter education events (e.g. film screening, debates, lectures series, etc.)

A virtual campaign urging students to exercise their right to vote

**NSLVE:**

Bishop State Community College has not authorized NSLVE yet.

**Evaluation:**

We will evaluate our action plan in the following ways:

We will evaluate from numbers of voters registered and we will try to measure voter turnout by offering an incentive to students who show proof of voting.

**Reporting:**

We will report our campus action plan and NSLVE reports in the following ways:

Our action plan will be posted on our campus website and shared with the campus community. Our campus NSLVE reports will be posted on our campus website and shared. with the campus community.