

Tommie's Vote
2018 Action Plan
Overview

The University of St. Thomas is engaging its student body to register to vote, gain resources about the variety of ways to vote, learn about the election process, participate in election-related events, and vote on Election Day.

Collaborators:

Tommie's Vote team is made up of a combination of Student Affairs, Faculty, and University Administration professionals, plus involved students and community partners.

Goals

- Provide students with accessible ways to register to vote.
- Provide students with resources about the variety of ways to vote including absentee voting, voting in another state, and voting while abroad.
- Provide students with resources to learn about the election process.
- Provide students with opportunities to participate in panel-facilitated discussions and lectures
- Inform students of campus polling location so they have an accessible place to vote on Election Day

Voter Registration:

- Update Website which provides navigation links and instructions for registration <http://www.stthomas.edu/deanofstudents/tommiesvote/>
- We will continue to set up voter registration tables at the Library and the Anderson Student Center
- Voter registration table will be available during "Move in Day"
- Residence Life email will go out to all on-campus residents providing:
 - Voting locations
 - Information on how to register for an absentee ballot to vote at permanent residence
 - Reference information to the library guide website

Voter Education:

- On-line library guide will be highlighted as a resource for students.
- On October 23, SDIS, DAB, and Dr. Hill are bringing to campus a screening of the One Vote documentary. There will also be discussion panel following the screening.
- During Change Making Week (October 8-12) a VOTING as Change Making event will take place.
- The neighborhood walk-thru will take place during the second week of September. A brochure will be distributed to students including information about where and how to vote.
- Dr. Katherine Hill will be implementing a voter engagement project in the SOWK 391 class (Social Work for Social Justice). Students will be required to work in groups to register and engage voters.
- Student Affairs will work with the Campus Election Engagement Project Fellow (CEEP) in collaborative efforts to provide educational information and increase voter engagement.

- After the tenth day of classes, OCSS will have a list of off campus students. At that time, emails will go out to those students providing information on voting locations. Links will be provided to the Secretary of State Webpage and to the UST voting webpage.

Get Out the Vote:

- Will be asking Student Government to sponsor #TommiesVote campaign.
- The Office of Study Abroad sent email on 8-8-2018 to all students with information regarding voting while abroad.
- On Election Day, emails will go out to all off-campus students reminding them to vote.
- The Undergraduate Student Government will provide free bus passes to students, allowing them to go to their voting locations.