

## KIDS VOTING NEBRASKA

The Nebraska State Bar Foundation is offering a new Civics Education program, Kids Voting- Nebraska ABC.

In Nebraska, 63% of the eligible voting population turned out to vote in 2016, which is above the national average, but the Foundation hopes to improve that number by starting with our kids.

Kids Voting offers nonpartisan lessons, resources, educational tools and hands-on activities.

Kids Voting is adaptable for in-person learning, distance learning or homeschooling.

The objectives of this educational program are to create lifelong voting habits in children, to increase family communication about citizenship and increase voter turnout.

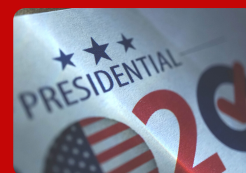
The five key components are:

- Curricula for K-12 students
- Mock election processes by paper ballots or electronic voting
- Activities to involve families
- Educator support and resources
- Research on impact and effectiveness

### VISIT OUR WEBSITE

[WWW.NEBARFND.ORG/CIVICS-EDUCATION/KIDS-VOTING-NEBRASKA-ABC](http://WWW.NEBARFND.ORG/CIVICS-EDUCATION/KIDS-VOTING-NEBRASKA-ABC)

Page 4 Activity Key: 1 Down - ELECTION; 2 Down - FLAG; 3 Across - VOTE; 4 Down - ELECTORAL COLLEGE; 5 Down - AMERICA; 6 Across - SENATOR; 7 Across - REPRESENTATIVE; 8 Down - EAGLE; 9 Down - EIGHTEEN; 10 Across - BALLOT; 11 Across - WHITEHOUSE; and 12 Across - President.  
Page 8 Activity Key: (d.) Abraham Lincoln; Barack (h.) Obama; (e.) Bill Clinton; (f.) Donald Trump; (g.) Dwight D. Eisenhower; (a.) Franklin D. Roosevelt; (i.) George W. Bush; (b.) John F. Kennedy; and (c.) Ronald Reagan.



## 2020 General Election Family Activity Booklet

**LEVEL III**

# 2020 GENERAL ELECTION ACTIVITY BOOKLET

This book belongs to

Print Your Name on the Line








# PREPARE, PRACTICE & BECOME INFORMED

Prepare for the 2020 Kids Voting General Election by practicing to vote below! First, research and learn as much as you can about each candidate. Then select the ONE candidate below you would like to serve as the President of the United States of America for the next 4 years. Fill in the circle for the candidate you have selected. Know the facts and make an informed decision!

**DoubleClick Democracy** An Online Election Service  
of Kids Voting USA

## Kids Voting USA Presidential Election President and Vice President

<input type="radio"/>  <b>Donald J. Trump</b> - REP (Republican) Michael R. Pence	<input type="radio"/>  <b>Joseph R. Biden</b> - DEM (Democrat) Kamala D. Harris
<input type="radio"/>  <b>Jo Jorgensen</b> - LPF (Libertarian) Jeremy "Spike" Cohen	<input type="radio"/>  <b>Roque "Rocky" De La Fuente</b> - REF (Reform) Darcy G. Richardson
<input type="radio"/>  <b>Gloria La Riva</b> - PSL (Socialism and Liberation) Sunil Freeman	<input type="radio"/>  <b>Howie Hawkins</b> - GRE (Green) Angela Nicole Walker
<input type="radio"/>  <b>Don Blankenship</b> - CPF (Constitution) William Mohr	<input type="radio"/>  <b>Brian T. Carroll</b> - NONPARTISAN (American Solidarity) Amar Patel

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

**You are now prepared to vote in the  
Kids Voting USA General Election!**

## KEEP TALKING

### ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES TO DO WITH YOUR FAMILY!

- 1 Sign up for a library card at your local library. You can check out books about past Presidents and learn the roles they have played in shaping history.
- 2 Watch the debates as a family and talk with your families about both sides of the issues.
- 3 Volunteer for a campaign.
- 4 Contact a candidate if you have questions.
- 5 Ask a family member to take you with them to the poll when they go to vote. Or, if they vote by mail, sit with them while they vote.
- 6 Watch the live election results on the day of the election and color in a map to keep track of the electoral college votes.
- 7 Watch the Presidential Inauguration Speech.



**YOUR VOICE CAN BE HEARD TOO!**

<https://www.nebarfnd.org/civics-education/kids-voting-nebraska-abc>

## HISTORY OF VOTING

When George Washington was elected President of the U.S., only 6% of the population was able to vote. Voting laws have changed to include more citizens regardless of race and gender.

Decode the timeline below using the "Key Code" to learn about our nation's history.

Declaration of Independence was signed & property owners had the right to vote. The majority were white, male, Protestant and over the age of 21.

A G G F

U.S. Constitution was adopted giving states the power to regulate their own voting laws.

A G H G

North Carolina became the last state to expand voting rights to all white males by removing property ownership as a requirement to vote.

A H E F

14th Amendment: Male citizens 21+ were able to vote.

A H F H

15th Amendment: Men of all races were able to vote.

A H G #

19th Amendment: Women were given the right to vote.

A I B #

26th Amendment: The voting age was changed to 18 years old.

A I G A

### KEY TO THE CODE

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
#	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
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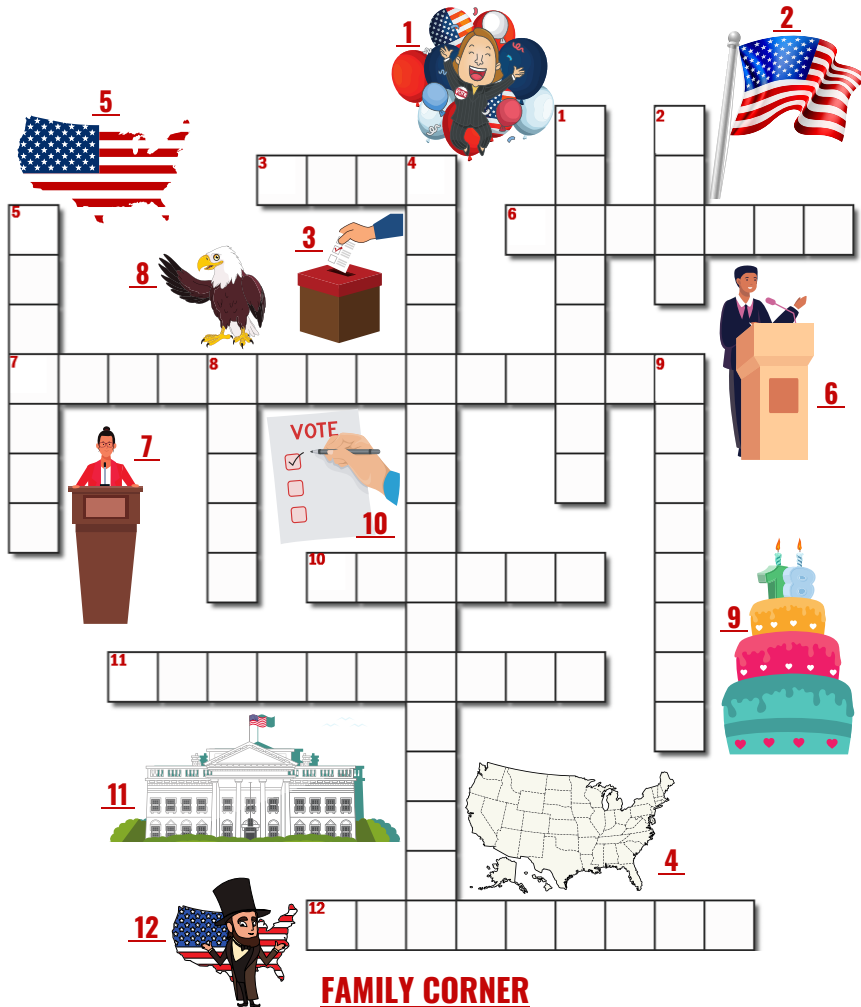
### FAMILY CORNER

In some countries, the voting age is younger and in others older than in America. How old do you think you should be to vote in this country and why? \_\_\_\_\_

# THE CONSTITUTION & VOTING

The Constitution and changes to the Constitution, called Amendments, is what provides Americans the right to vote.

Use the clues below that represent the Constitution's impact on voting to complete the puzzle.



**FAMILY CORNER**

Why is voting important? \_\_\_\_\_

Key on the back page.

# THREE BRANCHES OF GOVERNMENT

The United States has three branches of Government: the Judicial, Legislative & Executive Branches.

**Brain Teaser:** The people who run two of the three branches are voted on by the people and one of the three are decided on by the Electoral College. The third group is appointed by the President and approved by the Senate. How is this possible?



REPNIDEST

Executive Branch

SONGSCER

Legislative Branch

SUEERPM OTURC

Judicial Branch

Unscramble the Words to solve the Brain Teaser!

SLILB

Congress Introduces (votes on)

SLAW

Signed Bills by the President

TNPDOAPIE

Nine U.S. Justices

AEOETLCLR OECEGLL

A Group of Citizens who have the final Vote to determine the U.S. President

OTVED YB HET OEPLPE

U.S. Senators & U.S. Representatives

835 OESTERLC

Electoral College

**FAMILY CORNER**

Why is it important to have 3 Branches of Government? \_\_\_\_\_

## EVERY VOTE COUNTS

It is very important to VOTE and one single vote can make all the difference.

Match the number of Popular Votes and Electoral Votes to the list of Presidents below. Use the Campaign slogans as clues to help you figure out which voting totals match each President.

____ Abraham Lincoln	a. 22,829,501 Popular/472 Electoral "Happy Days Are Here Again" 32nd President - Elected 1932
____ Barack Obama	b. 34,226,731 Popular/303 Electoral "A Time for greatness 1960" 35th President - Elected 1960
____ Bill Clinton	c. 43,904,153 Popular/489 Electoral "Let's Make America Great Again" 40th President - Elected 1980
____ Donald Trump	d. 2,218,388 Popular/212 Electoral "Don't change horses midstream" 16th President - Elected 1864
____ Dwight D. Eisenhower	e. 44,909,806 Popular/370 Electoral "Putting People First" 42nd President - Elected 1992
____ Franklin D. Roosevelt	f. 62,984,828 Popular/304 Electoral "Make America Great Again" 45th President - Elected 2016
____ George W. Bush	g. 33,936,234 Popular/442 Electoral "I Like Ike" 34th President - Elected 1952
____ John F. Kennedy	h. 69,456,897 Popular/365 Electoral "Yes We Can" 44th President - 2008
____ Ronald Reagan	i. 50,456,002 Popular/271 Electoral "Compassionate Conservatism" 43rd President - 2000

### **FAMILY CORNER**

Watch this year's Election and write down the following information for the winner of the Election.

Popular Votes:

\_\_\_\_\_

Electoral Votes:

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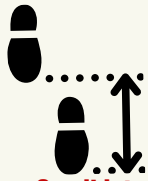
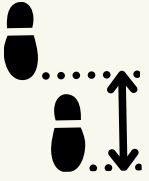
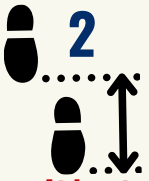
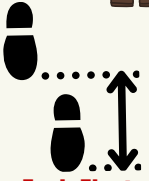
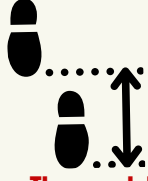
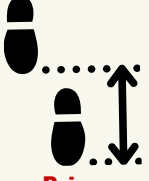
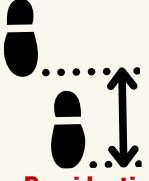
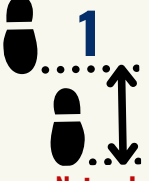
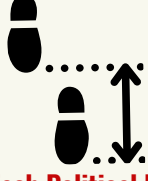
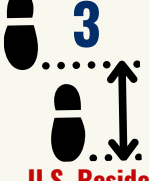
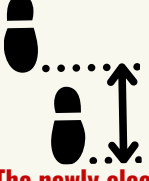
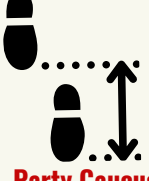
## WHAT IT TAKES TO BE PRESIDENT



The process of becoming President of the United States is lengthy and hard word work.

Investigate the shoe prints and place them in order to identify what it takes to become President.



			
<b>Candidates</b> campaign to win over their Political Party	<b>General</b> Election is held and the people vote	<b>At Least</b> Age 35	<b>Each Elector</b> casts one vote. 270 votes are needed to win.
			
<b>The people's</b> votes go to a group of Electors	<b>Primary</b> Elections are hosted	<b>Presidential</b> candidates begin Campaigning	<b>Natural</b> Born U.S. Citizen
			
<b>Each Political Party</b> hosts a National Convention to select a final Presidential Nominee	<b>U.S. Resident</b> at least 14 years	<b>The newly elected</b> President & V.P. are Inaugurated in January	<b>Party Caucuses</b> meet to select the best candidate for their party

### **FAMILY CORNER**

Complete this activity with your family by visiting [usa.gov/election#item-212481](https://usa.gov/election#item-212481) and utilizing the infographic poster to complete the steps.

## WAYS TO VOTE

There are three ways to vote in an election:

1. Mail-in-Ballot;
2. Voting in person at a polling location (voting booth); or
3. Mailing in an absentee ballot.\*

An example of someone who would need an absentee ballot is a citizen who lives overseas, like a soldier.

**Complete the  
Word Search to  
learn more!**

V G  
W R  
Y B L L  
K P K F  
O Q C F F L  
K C E P I Y  
A N V A B S E N T E E I Q N Y C U Y I D  
N H D J P G I I R A O G C I T I Z E N M  
H M L U F Y U E J S N T T K C F J P  
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R E

- Created on the Teacher's Corner -

ABSENTEE	ADDRESS	BALLOT
BOOTH	CITIZEN	EIGHTEEN
IDENTIFICATION	MAIL	POLL
REGISTER	SIGNATURE	VOTE

### **FAMILY CORNER**

Is everyone in your family registered to vote? \_\_\_\_\_

If not, tell them to register today! And ask your family to take you with them the next time they go to vote.

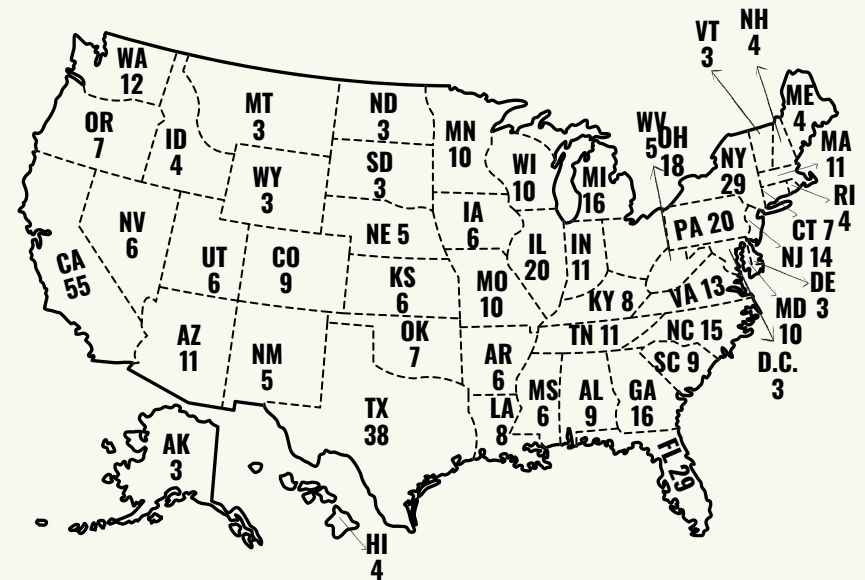
## ELECTORAL COLLEGE

The Electoral College, a chosen group of citizens, makes the final vote for President. There are a total of 538 electors across the United States. A candidate needs a total 270 Electoral Votes to win the Presidency. Below is a map showing each state and the number of Electoral Votes they are assigned.

1) Watch the election with your family.

2) Track the number of Electoral Votes for each state and track the votes according to the candidates.

3) Total the votes to determine who has won the Election!



### **FAMILY CORNER**

What state do you live in? \_\_\_\_\_

Which candidate had the most Electoral Votes in your state? \_\_\_\_\_

Which candidate won the Presidency? \_\_\_\_\_