

HOST A VOTE *★for★* OUR FUTURE STORYTIME AND VOTER AWARENESS EVENT

BEFORE STARTING THE STORY

If you'd like to provide voter information for your adult attendees, turn to page four of this brochure for resources that can help you research before your event. On the day of the event, decorate your store in red, white, and blue. Ask the audience what they know about voting and elections. What is voting? How old do you have to be, and where do you go to vote?

AS YOU READ

Encourage your audience to think about who they know who is old enough to vote. How can they remind the adults in their life to vote? Why is it important to vote?

END THE STORYTIME

Pass out the postcard included in this kit to your audience. Let them know that they can use it to be the boss of the adults in their life! Encourage them to go through the checklist with people who can vote to make sure their grown-up has a voting plan for Election Day.



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CAST A VOTE

Invite your storytime audience to vote for the best snack: it's a donut vs. pizza showdown!

Hand out copies of the below ballot. Once participants have checked off their choice and returned it to you, give them a sticker from the sheet included in this kit.

Tally the votes (be sure to count them twice!) and announce the winner.

BALLOT



THANK YOU!

Color the below page, cut along the solid lines, and fold according to the dotted lines to make your very own thank-you card. **Give it to a grown-up who is going to vote for your future!**

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INSPIRED BY



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schwartz & wade books

THANK
YOU ...

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Draw a picture of yourself here!

for voting for
MY FUTURE!



VOTER AWARENESS RESOURCES



Providing voter registration forms and other election information can be a great way to keep adults busy during a storytime event! You can use the following resources to make sure your community is informed about an upcoming election, just like the kids in *Vote for Our Future*.

While a *Vote for Our Future* event can help educate our future generation of voters and encourage our current generation of voters, you can use these resources at any storytime event!

The voting laws and requirements are different in every state. The Election Assistance Commission's website (eac.gov) is a great place to learn your state's laws, deadlines, and requirements. You can also go directly to your state or local elections office's website.

You can find customizable social media assets to let your customers know about registration deadlines and other important election dates here at tinyurl.com/VoteForOurFuture. We recommend linking to vote.gov so your customers can register to vote and learn more about the voting process.

If your store is interested in registering people to vote, organizations like National Voter Registration Day and Rock the Vote provide helpful information about running voter registration drives. The National Voter Registration's website offers a quick guide to the rules for running a registration drive in your state at nationalvoterregistrationday.org/partner-tools/rules-for-voter-registration-drives.

You can print more *Vote for Our Future* stickers tinyurl.com/VoteForOurFuture. They make great conversation starters—staff can wear them, and you can hand them out to customers.

