CRAMMING FOR MIDTERMS?

Here’s what you need to know to make a difference in the Midterm elections on Nov. 6

**WHAT ARE THE MIDTERM ELECTIONS?**

Midterms are elections for the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives held every four years.

**U.S. SENATE:** Each state elects two senators for staggered six-year terms.

Indiana’s current senator Joe Donnelly (D) is up for reelection, facing Mike Braun (R)

- **Joe Donnelly**
  - Indiana senator 2013-18
  - District 63 representative 2014-17
  - Key policies:
    - Farmer protection
    - Education improvements
    - Trade policies
    - Expand health care

- **Mike Braun**
  - District 63 representative 2014-17
  - Key policies:
    - Defend Second Amendment
    - Tax cuts
    - Term limits
    - Anti-abortion

**U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:** Each district elects a representative to serve for a two-year term.

Carmel’s representative Susan Brooks (R) is up for reelection, facing Dee Thornton (D)

- **Dee Thornton**
  - No political experience
  - Key policies:
    - Expand health care
    - Women’s equality
    - Environmental reform
    - Education improvements

- **Susan Brooks**
  - District 5 representative 2013-18
  - Key policies:
    - Farmer protection
    - Education localization
    - Lower health care costs
    - Reform immigration

**UPCOMING ELECTION DATES**

Here are some future opportunities to make your voice heard

- **NOV. 5, 2018**: Early voting for Midterm Election ends
- **NOV. 6, 2018**: Midterm Election
- **APR. 6, 2020**: Early voting for Midterm Election ends
- **MAY 5, 2020**: Primary election (elects candidate from each party to run for President)
- **OCT. 5, 2020**: General Election (election for executive and legislative branches)
- **NOV. 3, 2020**: General Election (election for executive and legislative branches)

**WHAT DO CHS STUDENTS THINK?**

**JUNIOR ZOE KONIARIS**
Member of CHS Democrats Club

How do you think the current executive branch will affect the Midterms?

“The election of Donald Trump and the fact that Republicans have all branches of government hopefully inspires the left to make their voices heard.”

What is your viewpoint on the Midterm elections?

“I don’t really care who you vote for; just make your voice heard. Register. That’s all that really matters.”

**SOPHOMORE CHRIS ELMORE**
Member of CHS Republicans Club

How do you think the current executive branch will affect the Midterms?

“The American people see this as a refresher, an opportunity to change the government.”

What is your viewpoint on the Midterm elections?

“I think America is blessed because every two years we have the opportunity to realign our national interests.”

**HOW DO I VOTE?**

If your birthday is before May 5, 2002, follow the steps below to register for the next election

1. **REGISTER TO VOTE**
   Use your phone camera to scan the code to register online.

2. **DO YOUR RESEARCH**
   Don’t rely on social media for information on political candidates.

3. **BRING A VALID PHOTO ID**
   Valid examples include a driver’s license, military ID, or a U.S. passport.

4. **FIND YOUR POLLING PLACE**
   See the map below to find a location near you.

5. **CAST YOUR BALLOT**
   Indiana polls are open from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. on election day.