

ELECTION CONVENTION

A SCHOOLWIDE CIVIC LEARNING EXPERIENCE

CABINET POSITIONS ELECTED AT CONVENTION

- **President**
 - **Vice President**
 - **Speaker of the House**
 - **Commissioner of Social Activities**
 - **Commissioner of Pep and Athletics**
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NORTH MONTEREY COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

We have three types of elections at our school,

- **Class Officer Elections** – fill out application, name ends up on a ballot and there is voting. No speeches, campaigning is ok, but not necessary.
- **ASB/Student Government Commissions** – fill out application, 5 different panel interviews and then a one on one interview with Activities Director. No speeches, no campaigning necessary.
- **Election Convention** – Primary speeches to all voters, lots of campaigning, campaign managers, caucusing and Q&A session at the Election Convention.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

- **Tuesday – Primary Day – Speeches during English Classes**
 - **Wednesday – Voting – English Classes come to our multipurpose room**
 - **Friday – Election Convention all day**
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APPLICATION PROCESS

On application:

- General Information about Candidate
 - Essay about leadership experience and ideas to improve ASB
 - Letter of recommendation from a teacher
 - 50 signatures from students in support of their candidacy (no seniors)
 - Transcript (must have at least a 2.5 G.P.A.)
 - Attendance Record
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ELECTION CONVENTION PERSONNEL - SENIORS

- **Parliamentarian**

- Be familiar with all Convention rules & process
- Make rulings as necessary in areas of conflict
- Notify Recorders of any absences from the delegation once the Convention has begun
- Relay any delegate problems or emergencies to Security Heads or Mrs. Lowensen

- **Panel**

- Determine validity of question asked to candidates during question and answer periods

- **Recorders**

- Conduct roll call via microphone and record attendance
- Record vote in written form on tabulation sheet
- Use calculator to tally vote and verify votes, if necessary, on computer

DELEGATES

- All 4th period classes are allotted 3 to 5 delegates depending on class size
- Class votes on delegates
- Pick a state
- Must dress to represent state
- Must have trivia/information about state
- If the first round of voting is not a 70% win, the voting goes to them

ELECTION CONVENTION PERSONNEL - SENIORS

- **Secretaries**
 - Take notes of proceeding (nominations, vote counts, election results, major events)
 - Following convention:
 - -Combine notes into summary of Convention proceeding
 - -Submit Convention summary to Mrs. Lowensen, ASB, Talon, Yearbook, and Media
- **Security**
 - Only allow those with preapproved ribbons onto convention floor
 - Watch list of guests coming in and do not allow anyone else in
 - Guard the VIP/Keynote Speaker at all times
 - Be on the lookout for “ninjas”
- **Ninjas**
 - Plant questions, attempt to wreak havoc

PRIMARY DAY

- All 9th, 10th and 11th grade English classes come
- All students receive an Elections Pamphlet with candidates and qualifications
- Candidates give speeches – 3 minutes limit
- Candidate videos – 2 minute limit

VOTING DAY

- Have a roster of each English class to highlight names
- Must have their student ID
- Get voting stands from Monterey County Elections Office
- “I Voted” stickers
- One team, with a campus security guard, working the polling place and one team, with Activities Director, counting ballots immediately

ELECTION CONVENTION DAY

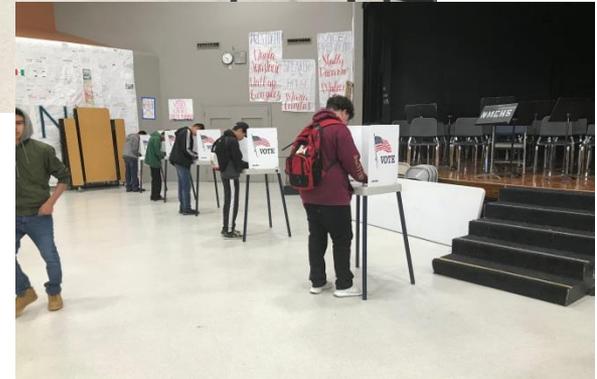
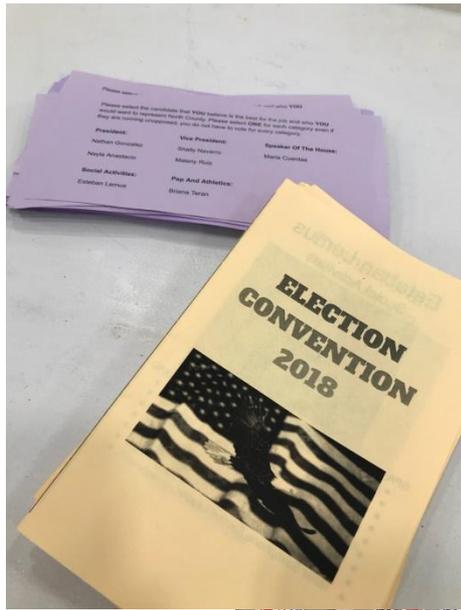
- Delegate Check-In
- Flag Salute and National Anthem
- Roll Call
- Explanation of Day's Agenda and Go Over Rules and Procedures
- For each cabinet position:
 - Campaign Manager Nominates
 - Second From the Floor
 - Results of First Ballot (school vote)
 - If not 70% of vote then:
 - Q&A Session
 - Caucus Time
 - Second Vote

ELECTION CONVENTION DAY CONTINUED

- **Extras:**
 - Keynote Speaker (local politician)
 - Ninja antics
 - Competitions and Games
 - Best Dressed State
 - Lip Sync-Off Between Candidates and Delegates
 - BALLOON DROP!!!!

Primaries





Voting



Setting Up the Convention



Convention Day



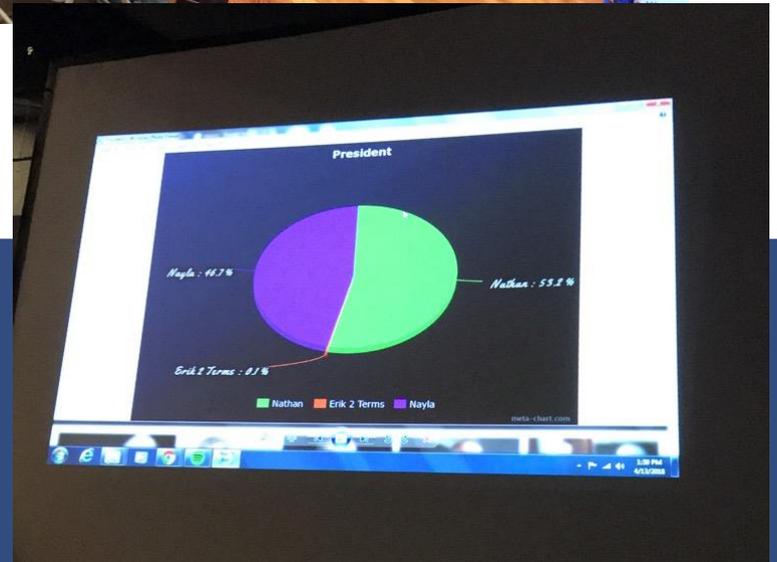
Personnel



Keynote Speaker



The Results



Balloon Drop!



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