



2020 Election



A committee of near 20 Mirowitz Middle School 7th and 8th grade students banded together to create guidelines on how we treat each other leading up to and beyond the 2020 General Election on November 3rd.

Committee Vision Statement

At Mirowitz, we have a community that stands upon the principles of **pluralism and respect**. As we enter the election season, it is important that we establish rules for engaging with politics within the walls of our school. These rules should be consistent with our **core values: safety, community, hakarat hatov, kavod, etc.**

Four Guidelines

- 1) Conversation about the campaign
- 2) Mindfulness about our conversations
- 3) Campaigning within Mirowitz
- 4) Dress code

Campaign Conversation

- ❖ Campaign discussions are good, and they are important
- ❖ Must be respectful
- ❖ Former Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia
 - “I attack ideas, I don’t attack people.”
- ❖ Be prepared to have those discussions
- ❖ Insulting will not be tolerated

Be Mindful of our Comments

- ❖ Comments can be upsetting to those around you, even if you believe that the people around you feel the same way you do.
- ❖ Chance that others are around you that you may not see
 - different viewpoints and take offense to comments you may make
- ❖ We have very insightful and deep conversations in social studies classes, we do not invite early elementary students into those classes, and we have to be mindful that those students are in the hallways upstairs and at recess

Campaigning Within Mirowitz

- ❖ Zero campaigning on the walls at Mirowitz
- ❖ Lockers may have election slogans, as long as they are deemed respectful
- ❖ May not touch a locker that is not your own
- ❖ Buttons on backpacks are acceptable

Dress Code

- ❖ T-shirts promoting Trump/Biden/other candidates are acceptable as long as they do not degrade or disrespect other candidates
- ❖ Students will be sent down to the school office until a different article of clothing is put on to replace it
- ❖ Trump/Pence 2020 or Biden/Harris 2020 shirts/caps are acceptable as are Make America Great and Build Back Better campaign slogans are acceptable

**We are the 2020 Election
Committee and we
approved this message.**