

MY CAMPAIGN PROMISE...

OBJECTIVE

Students make a campaign promise.

INSTRUCTIONS

- ★ Say, if you were a candidate for this election, what is one important thing you would want to promise to voters?
- ★ Tell students to write or draw their idea. Ask students to think of an idea or issue that would impact many people, and say what they will do to make it happen.
- ★ Examples
 - I will make college free for everyone
 - I will bring more jobs to our city
 - I will cut taxes
- ★ Have students add to what they have written and drawn, and be prepared to give a short speech to the class (or small group).
- ★ As a next step, ask students to match their issues and ideas with news stories, actual candidate promises, debates, etc.

DISCUSSION

- ★ What were some of your suggestions? Who would benefit from these improvements?
- ★ Is there a way that you can help your suggestion come true? What can you do?
- ★ How might voting make your ideas a reality?
- ★ Do candidates and officials make promises? Can you give an example?
- ★ Do all candidates keep the promises they make once they are elected?
- ★ What can you do to make sure that candidates keep their promises when they are elected?
- ★ What do you think is important to do once an election is over?

MORE RESOURCES AND ACTIVITIES

Help your students to learn about government, find and analyze information, understand how informed, active citizens participate in democracy through elections and more. Find curriculum alignment guides, candidate and debate information, video, text, images, and more activities plus information about the student vote at www.GenerationNation.org/learn