

Election Vocabulary

ballot: a method of recording a vote.

campaign: the competition for public office; organized actions that a candidate takes in an attempt to win an election.

candidate: a person who seeks office.

caucus: an early statewide meeting where members of a political party select delegates to support their favorite candidates.

convention: a big meeting in which delegates from a political party pick the candidates for President and Vice President.

delegate: a person given power or authority to act for others; a representative.

incumbent: an individual currently holding office.

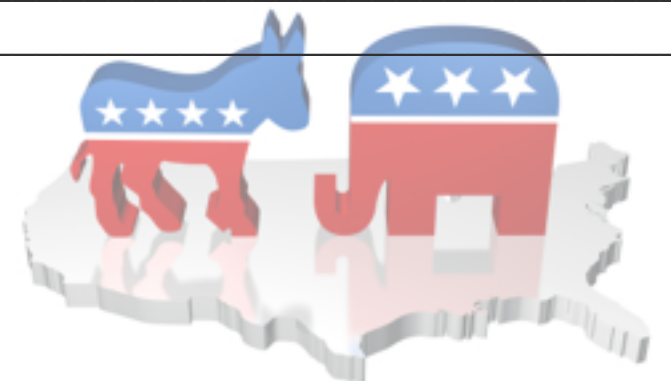
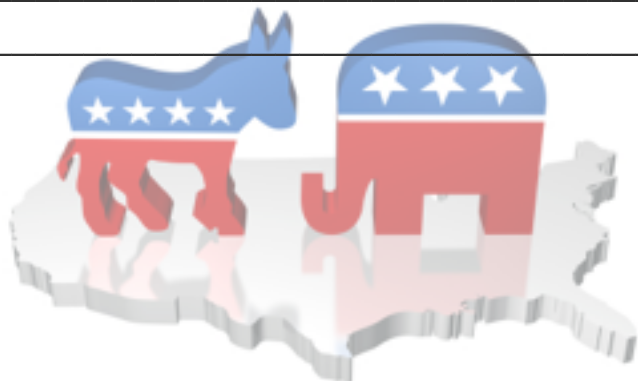
nominee: a person chosen by a political party to be a candidate.

political party: an organized group of voters with similar ideas and goals for a country and its government. The two main parties in the U.S. are the Republican Party and the Democratic Party.

polls: surveys of specific groups; places where people vote.

primary: an early, statewide election in which voters choose their favorite candidates.

Additional Terms:



Election Speech

Dress for the occasion.

Items to be included in your speech:

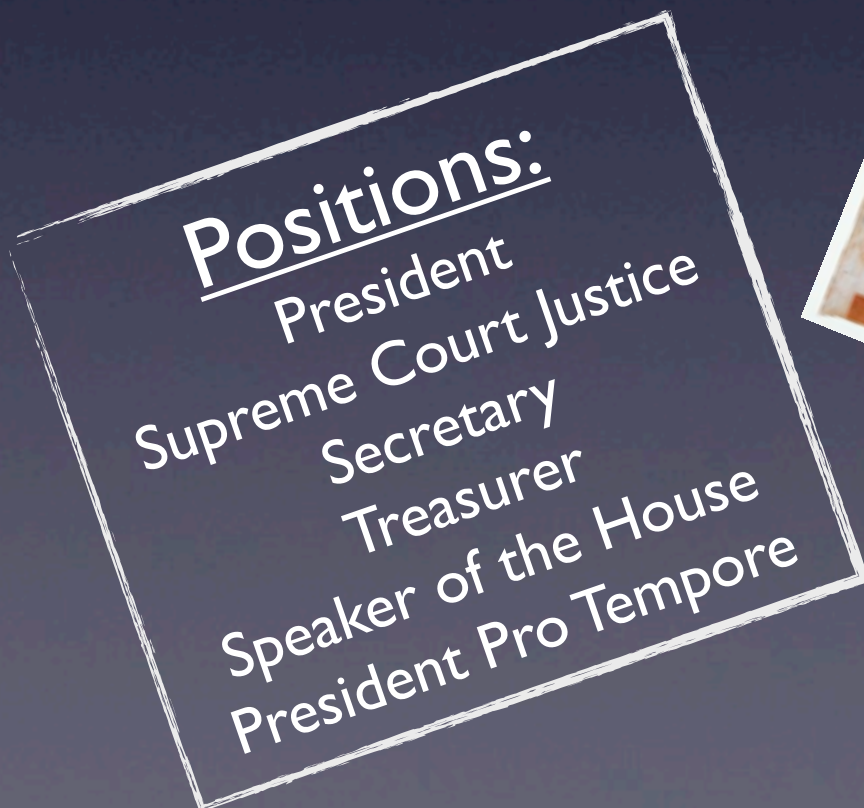
State your name.

What position are you running for ?

Why are you running for the position ?

Why do you feel you are the best candidate for the job ?

What qualities will you bring to the position ?



Campaign Materials:

Examples

buttons

posters

Be Creative