



AMERICA
in ONE ROOM

ELECTORAL COLLEGE DELIBERATION



On Election Day, [Stanford's Center for Deliberative Democracy](#) is running a Deliberative Poll on the Electoral College, and has asked Close Up to help identify high school students who are passionate about civic engagement and might want to take part in this pilot program. There are two goals for the pilot: (1) To understand what the next generation of voters thinks about how America conducts its presidential elections, and (2) For students to help Stanford and Close Up test-run an online program that brings thoughtful, accessible, and educational deliberation to high schools. In the past, deliberative events for adults (such as [America in One Room](#)) have increased political engagement, civic knowledge, and empathy through respectful disagreement—and Close Up is excited to help Stanford think about how to build similar skills among diverse high school students from across the country!

How can students sign up? <https://www.closeup.org/america-in-one-room/>

When is the program? The night before the election! **Monday, November 2, from 7 pm – 8:30 pm (EST)**

What will students be discussing? This opportunity will bring together young people from across the country to learn about and discuss the pros and cons of different aspects of the Electoral College. Participants will be surveyed both before and after the deliberation.

Do students need extensive knowledge about the Electoral College? No! Ahead of the event, students will receive briefing materials to review.

Who can participate? Students in high school (grades 9-12). This is a virtual event and participants will be required to use a computer and have access to the internet. Phones and tablet devices are not compatible with the platform used for this event.

What is the time commitment? The deliberation is 90 minutes and students will be asked to complete a pre-program survey and read through briefing materials beforehand.

Questions? Contact oneroom@closeup.org.



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