



# Z-HOPE for All



## Voter Registration/ *Zeta Sigma Project Vote*

Overview

**Zeta Sigma Project Vote** is not only an excellent program to inform our communities about public policy and its impact on health disparities, it is an opportunity for your chapter or auxiliary group to earn bonus Z-Points.

### How to Earn Z-Points

**50 Bonus Points** will be awarded to chapters/auxiliaries that conduct a Zeta Sigma Project Vote program between June 1 and December 31, 2007.  
{ Need at least **4 Zetas & 2 Sigmas** in attendance }

To be eligible for bonus Z-Points the Zeta Sigma Project Vote Program Reporting Form must submit the completed and signed form **NO LATER THAN** January 15, 2008.

A Zeta Sigma Project Vote Program Reporting Form must be completed and signed for EACH participating chapter/event. Chapters/auxiliaries may receive bonus for each event meeting bonus criteria.

ALL Zeta Sigma Project Vote programs **MUST** be reported on the Program Reporting Form. No other form can be used. Additional copies of the Zeta Project Vote Program Reporting Form can be photocopied or downloaded from the sorority Web site at [www.zphib1920.org](http://www.zphib1920.org). Do not use the Z-HOPE participant evaluation forms.

**A Project Vote** program can be used as a Z-HOPE for women, men, youth or seniors activity (mind). However, if it is not conducted between June 1 and December 31, the program must meet the standard.



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## Knowing Your Candidates!

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Presidential and local election years are always exciting and extremely important as it will be a chance for the voters to help shape the future orientation of the local, state, and above all national governments. In this important contest the voters not only will have the opportunity to show their civil responsibility but also to prove the political power they have acquired and demonstrate their intelligence by selecting the most able candidates.

This is a good opportunity to reflect about the issues that can contribute to the education of our voters. Through the years, all the political campaigns have concentrated in motivating the citizens to register and vote but little has been done to educate them about the importance of knowing the candidates, their experience, their programs and achievements and also the knowledge they have about the communities they will represent.

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## Election Night Counts

**Objectives:** To simulate election night in a mock country modeled after the United States.  
To enhance math skills by working with ratios

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On Election Day 2000, the majority of Americans voted for Al Gore. However, the elected President was George W. Bush. The President of the United States is elected through a 200-year old system provided for in the Constitution. This system, the Electoral College, allows that each state have a certain number of electoral votes. The number is determined by combining the state's number of Representatives to the U.S. House with the number of Senate members. **Question for students: How many US Senators does each state have (2) and who are they for \_\_\_\_\_ (name of your state where activity is in)? How many representatives does each state have? (trick question) How is that number calculated? (census)** The electors in each state are chosen by a vote within the state. In all states but Mississippi and Alabama political parties present a slate of electors pledged to vote for their party's candidate. Since a slate is elected, a state's entire parcel of Electoral College votes goes to one candidate. Rare instances of vote splitting have occurred. The winning Presidential candidate for each state is determined by the popular vote within the state. The electors then cast the state's votes for a candidate. **Only twice in the last 200 years has the winner of the nation's popular vote not been elected president by the electoral college – once in 1888 where Grover Cleveland won the popular vote and received significantly less electoral votes than Benjamin Harrison. The last time was election 2004.**

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