

How To Win Popular Votes

1. Native Son or Daughter: Each candidate for President get two (2) popular votes in his/her home state. (Your group chooses the state.)
2. Campaign Events: Each candidate gets to choose three (3) states where they will have campaign events. The candidate will receive one popular vote in each of these states.
3. Advertising: Each candidate receives 10, 000,000 to spend of advertising in the states of their choosing. This can be spent in two ways:
 - a. A 1,000,000 of advertising in a specific state gets one popular vote in that state. (For example, \$3,000,000 in OH = 3 popular votes in OH.)
 - b. \$8,000,000 for a National Campaign gets one (1) votes in each state.
4. Issues: The candidate gets to choose three (3) issues, which will set the theme for your campaign. The issues you decide on can help you in some states, but hurt you in others. Please see the chart below.

Issue	Popular Votes Gained	Popular Votes Lost
Pro-Defense	+1 in TX, CA, VA	-1 in NY, WA
Free-Trade	+1 in NY, FL, VA	-1 in PA, TX, WA
Fair Trade (tariffs)	+1 in PA, TX, OH	-1 in NY, FL, VA
Protect Seniors	+1 in FL	None
Pro-Gun Control	+1 in NY, VA	-1 in MI, TX
Anti-Gun Control	+1 in TX, MI	-1 in NY, VA
Pro-Farms	+1 in OH, WA	None
Pro-Environment	+1 in CA	-1 in TX
Family Values	+1 in OH, MI, VA	-1 in CA
Jobs	+1 in PA, NV	None
Pro-Affirmative Action	+1 in NY, VA	-1 in MI, WA, OH
Anti-Affir. Action	+1 in MI, WA, OH	-1 in NY, VA
Education	+1 in OH, NY	None
Reform Welfare	+1 in TX, MI	-1 in NY, NV
Protect Welfare	+1 in NY, NV	-1 in TX, MI
Crime	+1 in NY	None
Balanced Budget	+1 in CA	None
Tax Cut	+1 in TX	None

Electoral Votes

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***51 Electoral Votes to WIN!!!
Winner - Takes - All System***

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5. FEC sanctioned coin flip.

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How To Win Popular Votes - Third Party

5. Native Son or Daughter: Each candidate for President get one (1) popular vote in his/her home state. (Your group chooses the state.)
6. Campaign Events: Each candidate gets to choose two (2) states where they will have campaign events. The candidate will receive one popular vote in each of these states.
7. Advertising: Each candidate receives 4,000,000 to spend of advertising in the states of their choosing. A 1,000,000 of advertising in a specific state gets one popular vote in that state. (For example, \$3,000,000 in OH = 3 popular votes in OH.)
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Pro-Environment	+1 in CA	-1 in TX
Family Values	+1 in OH, MI, VA	-1 in CA
Jobs	+1 in PA, NV	None
Pro-Affirmative Action	+1 in NY, VA	-1 in MI, WA, OH
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Education	+1 in OH, NY	None
Reform Welfare	+1 in TX, MI	-1 in NY, NV
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Crime	+1 in NY	None
Balanced Budget	+1 in CA	None
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The Electoral College Game – Major Party _____

Native Son/Daughter:

- Home state of President:
- Home state of Vice President:

Campaign Events:

- State #1:
- State #2:
- State #3:

Advertising:

- National Campaign: Y or N
- List how much was spent in each state:

Issues: Circle your three issues on the chart below.

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Protect Seniors	+1 in FL	None
Pro-Gun Control	+1 in NY, VA	-1 in MI, TX
Anti-Gun Control	+1 in TX, MI	-1 in NY, VA
Pro-Farms	+1 in OH, WA	None
Pro-Environment	+1 in CA	-1 in TX
Family Values	+1 in OH, MI, VA	-1 in CA
Jobs	+1 in PA, NV	None
Pro-Affirmative Action	+1 in NY, VA	-1 in MI, WA, OH
Anti-Affirmative Action	+1 in MI, WA, OH	-1 in NY, VA
Education	+1 in OH, NY	None
Reform Welfare	+1 in TX, MI	-1 in NY, NV
Protect Welfare	+1 in NY, NV	-1 in TX, MI
Crime	+1 in NY	None
Balanced Budget	+1 in CA	None
Tax Cuts	+1 in TX	None

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- Home state of President:
 - Home state of Vice President:
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Campaign Events:

- State #1:
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Pro-Environment	+1 in CA	-1 in TX
Family Values	+1 in OH, MI, VA	-1 in CA
Jobs	+1 in PA, NV	None
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Anti-Affirmative Action	+1 in MI, WA, OH	-1 in NY, VA
Education	+1 in OH, NY	None
Reform Welfare	+1 in TX, MI	-1 in NY, NV
Protect Welfare	+1 in NY, NV	-1 in TX, MI
Crime	+1 in NY	None
Balanced Budget	+1 in CA	None
Tax Cuts	+1 in TX	None

The Electoral College Game

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1. Home state of the presidential candidate.
2. Home state of the vice presidential candidate.
3. Number campaign events in that particular state.
4. Number of popular votes from issues raised in that particular state.
5. FEC sanctioned coin flip.

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The Electoral College Game – Minor Party

Native Son/Daughter:

- Home state of President:
- Home state of Vice President:

Campaign Events:

- State #1:
- State #2:

Advertising:

- List how much was spent in each state:

Issues: Circle your single issue on the chart below.

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Pro-Defense	+1 in TX, CA, VA	-1 in NY, WA
Free-Trade	+1 in NY, FL, VA	-1 in PA, TX, WA
Fair Trade (Tariffs)	+1 in PA, TX, OH	-1 in NY, FL, VA
Protect Seniors	+1 in FL	None
Pro-Gun Control	+1 in NY, VA	-1 in MI, TX
Anti-Gun Control	+1 in TX, MI	-1 in NY, VA
Pro-Farms	+1 in OH, WA	None
Pro-Environment	+1 in CA	-1 in TX
Family Values	+1 in OH, MI, VA	-1 in CA
Jobs	+1 in PA, NV	None
Pro-Affirmative Action	+1 in NY, VA	-1 in MI, WA, OH
Anti-Affirmative Action	+1 in MI, WA, OH	-1 in NY, VA
Education	+1 in OH, NY	None
Reform Welfare	+1 in TX, MI	-1 in NY, NV
Protect Welfare	+1 in NY, NV	-1 in TX, MI
Crime	+1 in NY	None
Balanced Budget	+1 in CA	None
Tax Cuts	+1 in TX	None

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The Electoral College Game - Popular Vote Tally

	Major Party A	Major Party B	Minor Party
CA (22)			
NY (14)			
TX (13)			
FL (11)			
PA (9)			
OH (9)			
NV (7)			
WA (5)			
VA (5)			
MI (5)			
Total Votes:			

Remember: Winner-Take-All when assigning electoral votes

The Electoral College Debrief: www.270twin.com

Election of 1789

Why is the western part of the United States beige?

What party was the winning candidate (President) from?

Election of 1796

Who received the most electoral votes?

Who received the second most electoral votes?

Were they from the same political party?

Could this happen again? Why not? (Hint, look at the 12th Amendment.)

Election of 1820

How are the number of electoral votes per state determined?

Is it possible to only have one electoral vote? How is it possible for John Quincy Adams to receive only one electoral vote and no states?

Election of 1852

Why does California only have four (4) electoral votes? How many do they have today? Would you expect them to have more or less as a result of the 2010 U.S. Census?

Election of 1932 – 1944

Who received the most electoral votes in each of the four elections?

Could this ever happen again? Why not? (Hint, look at the Amendments.)

What other changes do you notice in the later elections?

Election of 2000

Who won the popular vote?

Who became President?

How many electoral votes did the winning candidate receive?

How many electoral votes are needed to win the election?

