



Weekly Newsletter: November 9-13



Yesterday was National Voter Registration Day, but that doesn't mean it's too late to celebrate! Double check your registration, then ask your friends and family if they're registered, too. Checking your voter registration today will prevent errors on Election Day, and opens the door for mail-in and early voting, keeping the election safer for everyone. Find resources and more at www.studentvote.org and at the official People's Pitzer website.

Mark your Calendars!

Sept. 29: The first Presidential Debate of the election season begins at 6:00pm PDT/9:00pm EDT. TPP will be hosting events surrounding the big night, so be sure to tune in!

Oct. 6: It's party time! TPP's first Proposition Party is happening at 4:00pm PDT. This is an open-mic education and discussion of the propositions on California's ballot. From another state? Get in touch to learn how to set up your own Proposition Party!



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The first Presidential Debate of 2020 is this Tuesday, Sept. 29, which means it's time for our first **live debate chat!** Join us from 6-8pm PDT to watch the debate together and have a brief round-table discussion afterwards. Watch along on your platform of choice and comment throughout via our Zoom call--no need for cameras to be on. Hope to see you there!
Event Zoom link: <https://pitzer.zoom.us/j/94466351189>

Mark your Calendars

Oct. 2: Our next People's Pitzer meeting will feature presentations from community partners, as well as ways to be civically engaged in the coming weeks. The meeting lasts from 3:30-4:30pm PDT; a Zoom link will be provided closer to the event.

Oct. 6: Are you a California voter looking to learn more about the propositions on this year's ballot? Stop by our Proposition Party, an informal, student-run discussion explaining and discussing all the measures up for public vote. The Party runs from 4-5pm PDT. Bring your questions, no prior knowledge required.

Oct. 5-9: Next week is National Voter Education Week. Watch out for more information and events being hosted throughout the week

Opportunity of the Week



Fight for the climate with the youth-led Sunrise Movement through **Sunrise Claremont Colleges**. Find them on Instagram [@sunriseclaremontcolleges](#) to learn more about their events and opportunities. More information will also be provided at the People's Pitzer meeting this Friday.

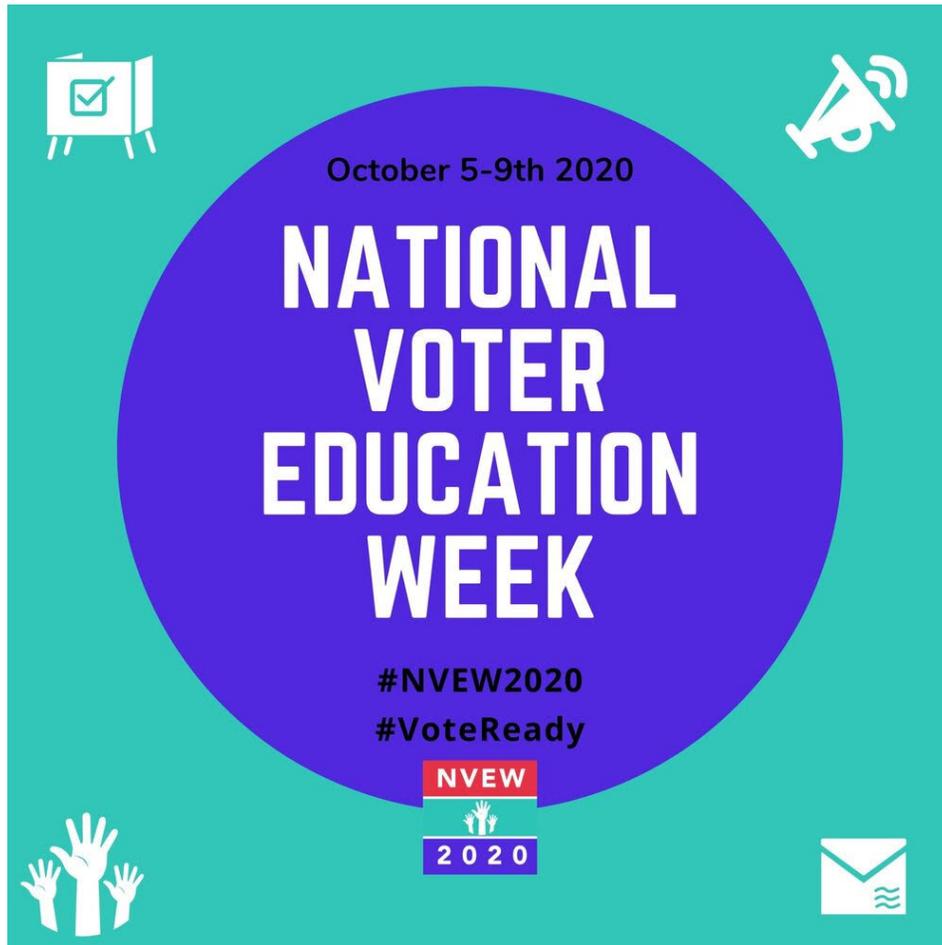
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Weekly Newsletter: October 5-9



It's National Voter Education Week! Now is the time to get ready to vote, and all week The People's Pitzer will be making sure you have everything you need. Watch out for daily emails and Instagram stories sharing resources and opportunities to make sure you're prepared. Looking for a place to start? Come to our Proposition Party on Tuesday night (more information below).

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The Party runs from **4-5pm PDT**.

Bring your questions, no prior knowledge required.

Event Zoom Link: <https://pitzer.zoom.us/j/7865504782>

Oct. 7: Vice Presidential Candidates square off this **Wednesday, Oct. 7**, which means it's time for our second **Debate Live Chat!** Join us from **6-8pm PDT** to watch the debate together and to have a brief round-table discussion afterwards. Watch along on your platform of choice and comment throughout via our Zoom call-- no need for cameras to be on!

Event Zoom Link: <https://pitzer.zoom.us/j/97293691194>

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The final stretch of Elections Season 2020 has arrived. Close to 60,000,000 early votes have already been cast a week away from Nov. 3, according to [U.S. Elections Project Data](#).

We understand this process can be stressful, and will continue to share resources and opportunities to get ready for Election Day. Visit the [TPP Website](#) and follow us on social media (@ThePeoplesPitzer) for ongoing updates.

Mark your Calendars

Oct. 28: The voting process is complicated, so join us for a brief webinar at 3pm PDT / 6pm EDT to discuss the ins and outs of the voting process.

We'll cover absentee voting, common misconceptions, Election Day procedure, and voter suppression. Zoom link to follow.

Oct. 29-30: MCAPS will be hosting election-related stress support sessions in the days before the 3rd. Sessions will be held Thursday from 4-5pm PDT and Friday from 2-3pm PDT. To register, contact

Fiona.Vajk@claremont.edu.

Oct. 30: TPP is hosting our final bi-weekly meeting before the elections this Friday at 3:30pm PDT / 6:30pm EDT. Join us for a conversation about what to expect next week and how to continue fighting after the election.

Event Zoom Link: <https://pitzer.zoom.us/j/98836854156>

Ongoing: Sunrise Claremont Colleges is continuing to hold events for students to make change this election season. For more information, follow @sunriseclaremontcolleges on Instagram or contact sunriseclaremontcolleges@gmail.com, or Zoe Vavrek at zovavrek@students.pitzer.edu.

What's In a Conversation



Elections Season often brings with it a sense of partisanship and stress that makes conversations difficult. Despite this, the need for meaningful conversations is essential no matter what the time of year. Karin Tamerius, founder of the nonprofit Smart Politics, [advises](#) finding common ground as quickly as possible and asking open-ended questions. Village Square founder and CEO Liz Joyner recommends leading with your experience and personal stance, saying that statistics are less effective in communicating political beliefs. And at the end of the day, it's always

important to decide when to step away. Psychiatrist Michelle Riba [says](#) that in addition to keeping an open mind, we should observe how much time we spend engaging with political content that could negatively affect our mental health, and learn when to step away from a conversation.

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It's finally here.

After a months-long election cycle, November 3rd is only one day away. Here's what to expect tomorrow: Polling consistently shows Joe Biden doing better in key swing states, but that's no indication of how many members of Donald Trump's base will show up to vote in person. While historic numbers of mail-in ballots may cause **vote counting to continue for weeks**, there are **crucial**

swing states expecting results tomorrow night. Florida, Georgia, and North Carolina will only count absentee ballots that arrive by Election Day, meaning results will be announced by the end of the night. If Biden takes any of those key states, his chances of winning the presidency skyrocket. If he loses them, he could still have a chance with other crucial states, particularly Pennsylvania, as more ballots are counted.

President Trump is in a similar position, hoping to hear good news from key swing states like Arizona.

Are you voting tomorrow? Have questions about what to do, where to go, or how to stay safe? Reach out to the TPP team-- we're always happy to help.

What Comes Next

The process to get here has been long and stressful, and has taken a toll on mental health for many of us. Taking this into account, we are proud to announce a set of programs designed by numerous community members and groups for **Post-Election Community Connections and Support**. These programs are designed to foster community and healing, and are the product of hard work from community members across Pitzer. To learn more about the events, as well as to see the full calendar we couldn't include below, go to [this link](#).

Mark your Calendars

Nov. 3: Join **CASA Pitzer** as they continue their Fall 2020 **Speaker Series on Racial and Healing Justice** and speak with **Javier Hernandez** and **Angel Fajardo** about immigration justice in the Inland Empire. Happening **11am-12pm PST**. Event Zoom Link can be found [here](#).

Nov. 3: Join us all day long on our **Elections 2020 slack channel**. Find information below.

Nov. 4: From **2-3pm PST**, connect with the Office of Student Affairs' **Strive2Thrive program** and speak with Kristin Williams and Stephanie Hannant as they share resources, tips, and tricks to find wellness during this week and beyond. More info found [here](#).

Nov 4: Drop in to a **Qi Gong** class with Dr. Kathy Yep and the Interfaith Movement for Human Integrity. From **5:45pm-6:30pm PST**, they will be teaching simple practices to help people coping with difficult situations.

Zoom link found [here](#)

Nov. 5: Prepare a nourishing food of your choice and **practice mindful eating** with CAPAS from **5:30p-6:30pm PST**. The event will reflect on the 2020 election using the mindful eating techniques of Thích Nhất Hạnh, a Vietnamese Zen Master. RSVP and join [here](#).

There are many ongoing wellness events that we could not include in this short space. We urge to you look at the above links for more ways to find community support.

Election Day Conversations

We wish we could be together on campus for this event.

In lieu of in-person events, TPP will be hosting a live Slack channel all day tomorrow. We will be providing ongoing updates about election results and providing spaces (both political and not) for students to connect and share with one another. We will be following a set of guidelines to promote community and to avoid harmful interactions; we ask that all are respectful of one another and acknowledge differing opinions. We look forward to interacting with you on the big day. [Join the Slack](#) here.

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The votes are cast, the election is all but over, and it seems easy to set all the tumult of the past months aside for another four years. But what this election cycle raised cannot and should not be ignored, leaving us asking: what comes next?

In addition to ongoing student support events within the Pitzer community, TPP will be continuing our education and outreach programs, connecting with partners doing important work on the front lines of civic activism.

Civic engagement is not limited to Election Day, and the work is far from over. Come our next meeting on Nov. 20th to brainstorm next steps.

Mark your Calendars

Nov. 10: Join CASA Pitzer as they continue their Fall Speaker Series on Racial and Healing Justice. This week's topic is Art as Culture, as Resistance, as Industry with guest speakers John Machado and Lolofi Soakai.

Nov. 11: Attend a drop-in Qi Gong class with Dr. Kathy Yep and the Interfaith Movement for Human Integrity (IM4HI). The class will teach practices to assist in times of hardship. The event is from 5:45-6:30pm PST, and all are welcome. For more information, see [here](#).

Ongoing: Sunrise Claremont Colleges is continuing to hold events for students in their hub, including post-election support and action items. For more information, follow [@sunriseclaremontcolleges](#) on Instagram or contact sunriseclaremontcolleges@gmail.com.

Thank You

We wanted to take a moment and to say thank you to everybody in the community who has come together during this time. Thank you to all of you having difficult conversations, all of you fighting for change, all of you continuing to create community even this far removed from campus. However you make your voice heard, we are grateful.

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