

Electoral College

Process

How it works...

How it is set up...

The slate of electors for each state is chosen by popular vote on election day. When you go to the poll and vote, essentially you are voting for the electors.

The electors meet to vote for President and Vice President in January.

The number of electors each state has is based on the state's Congressional representation.

The requirements for a majority vote (greater than 50%) to win the electoral college favors a 2 party system.

The winner take all system leads to the targeting of larger states for campaigning. Candidates may pay attention to small states whose electoral votes may make the difference in a tight election.

1. Fold the paper in half, hamburger style.
2. Open the fold, and at the bottom of the paper, fold up a flap that is at least one inch.
3. Cut the 1 inch flap at the center fold. Glue the two edges of the flap on the inside so that it makes a "pocket" book.
4. Glue the "How it works" and "How it is set up" on each flap, then cut the rest of the boxes out, place in correct