


# **ELECTION CONVENTION**

A SCHOOLWIDE CIVIC LEARNING EXPERIENCE

# **CABINET POSITIONS ELECTED AT CONVENTION**

- **President**
  - **Vice President**
  - **Speaker of the House**
  - **Commissioner of Social Activities**
  - **Commissioner of Pep and Athletics**
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# NORTH MONTEREY COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

We have three types of elections at our school,

- Class Officer Elections – fill out application, name ends up on a ballot and there is voting. No speeches, campaigning is ok, but not necessary.
- ASB/Student Government Commissions – fill out application, 5 different panel interviews and then a one on one interview with Activities Director. No speeches, no campaigning necessary.
- Election Convention – Primary speeches to all voters, lots of campaigning, campaign managers, caucusing and Q&A session at the Election Convention.




# WEEK AT A GLANCE

- Tuesday – Primary Day – Speeches during English Classes
- Wednesday – Voting – English Classes come to our multipurpose room
- Friday – Election Convention all day



# APPLICATION PROCESS

On application:

- General Information about Candidate
  - Essay about leadership experience and ideas to improve ASB
  - Letter of recommendation from a teacher
  - 50 signatures from students in support of their candidacy (no seniors)
  - Transcript (must have at least a 2.5 G.P.A.)
  - Attendance Record
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# ELECTION CONVENTION PERSONNEL - SENIORS

- **Parliamentarian**
  - Be familiar with all Convention rules & process
  - Make rulings as necessary in areas of conflict
  - Notify Recorders of any absences from the delegation once the Convention has begun
  - Relay any delegate problems or emergencies to Security Heads or Mrs. Lowensen
- **Panel**
  - Determine validity of question asked to candidates during question and answer periods
- **Recorders**
  - Conduct roll call via microphone and record attendance
  - Record vote in written form on tabulation sheet
  - Use calculator to tally vote and verify votes, if necessary, on computer

# DELEGATES

- All 4<sup>th</sup> period classes are allotted 3 to 5 delegates depending on class size
- Class votes on delegates
- Pick a state
- Must dress to represent state
- Must have trivia/information about state
- If the first round of voting is not a 70% win, the voting goes to them



# ELECTION CONVENTION PERSONNEL - SENIORS

- **Secretaries**
  - Take notes of proceeding (nominations, vote counts, election results, major events)
  - Following convention:
    - -Combine notes into summary of Convention proceeding
    - -Submit Convention summary to Mrs. Lowensen, ASB, Talon, Yearbook, and Media
- **Security**
  - Only allow those with preapproved ribbons onto convention floor
  - Watch list of guests coming in and do not allow anyone else in
  - Guard the VIP/Keynote Speaker at all times
  - Be on the lookout for “ninjas”
- **Ninjas**
  - Plant questions, attempt to wreak havoc



# PRIMARY DAY

- All 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade English classes come
- All students receive an Elections Pamphlet with candidates and qualifications
- Candidates give speeches – 3 minutes limit
- Candidate videos – 2 minute limit



# VOTING DAY

- Have a roster of each English class to highlight names
- Must have their student ID
- Get voting stands from Monterey County Elections Office
- “I Voted” stickers
- One team, with a campus security guard, working the polling place and one team, with Activities Director, counting ballots immediately



# ELECTION CONVENTION DAY

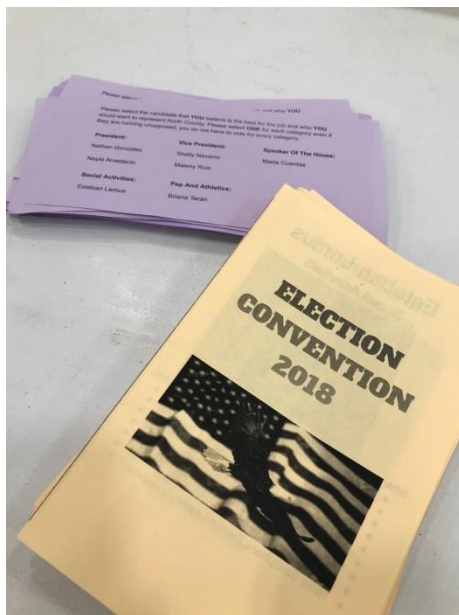
- Delegate Check-In
- Flag Salute and National Anthem
- Roll Call
- Explanation of Day's Agenda and Go Over Rules and Procedures
- For each cabinet position:
  - Campaign Manager Nominates
  - Second From the Floor
  - Results of First Ballot (school vote)
  - If not 70% of vote then:
    - Q&A Session
    - Caucus Time
    - Second Vote

# ELECTION CONVENTION DAY CONTINUED

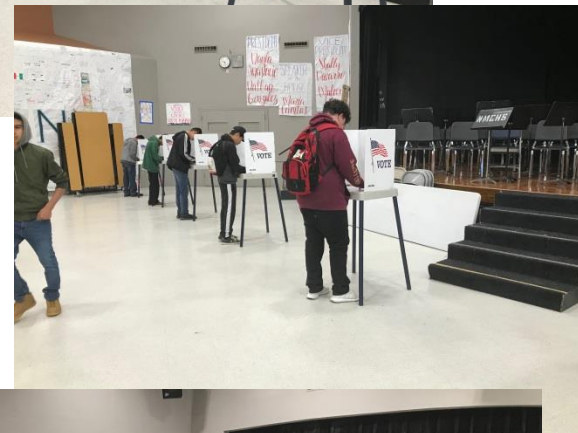
- **Extras:**
  - Keynote Speaker (local politician)
  - Ninja antics
  - Competitions and Games
    - Best Dressed State
    - Lip Sync-Off Between Candidates and Delegates
    - BALLOON DROP!!!!

# Primaries





# Voting





# Setting Up the Convention



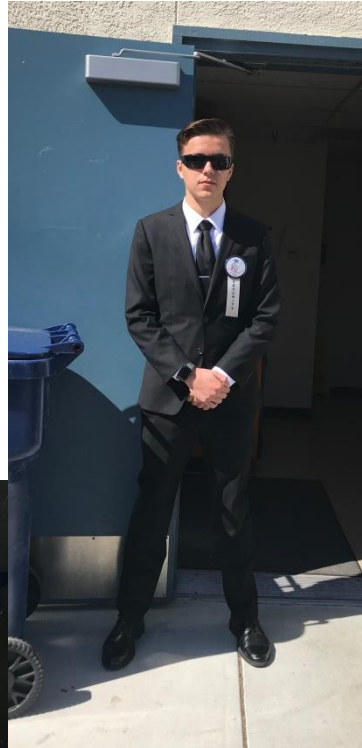


# Convention Day





# Personnel

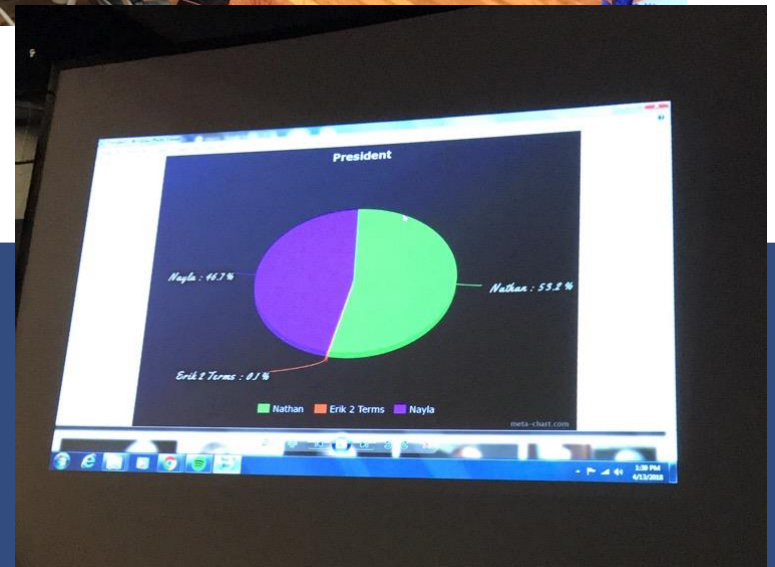


# Keynote Speaker





# The Results



# Balloon Drop!



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