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Prepare for lines at polls Nov. 4

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- Students are encouraged to visit the polls at times when they will not risk missing class. In Michigan, the polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- You must vote at your registered polling place. To find out where you should go to vote, visit the [Michigan Voter Information Center](#) Web site, which includes a tool you can use to look up your polling place.
- Registered voters do not need to bring their voters card to the polls; however, a photo ID is requested. If you do not have a photo ID or you forget to bring it, you may still vote at your registered polling location; you will be simply be asked to sign an affidavit stating that you do not have a photo ID in your possession.
- By Michigan law, you may not display election-related materials (including clothing, buttons and stickers) in the polling place or within 100 feet of an entrance to a polling place. If you go to the polls with a shirt, button or sticker bearing election-related images or slogans, you will be asked to cover or remove it.

For more information, visit the [Michigan Voter Information Center](#) Web site.

SUMMARY

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