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Election Resources for AFT Higher Education Affiliates

Our democracy is under attack by those who aim to use hatred and bigotry to divide us and sow fear and doubt about the integrity of our elections. And that threat to democracy is akin to a threat to American higher education. Extremists in legislatures and governors' offices have used state-level attacks on academic freedom; tenure; and diversity, equity and inclusion to undermine higher education as a public good—a strategy that extremists plan to nationalize. The Heritage Foundation has written a 900-plus page plan, Project 2025, dedicated to abandoning the public good, destroying the labor movement, and undermining our colleges and universities. One 44-page chapter is dedicated to radical changes to the education system that, if enacted, could have ramifications that would be felt for several generations. At our 2024 convention, AFT members passed a resolution, "[Organizing for the 2024 Elections](#)," that resolved to **"educate, organize and mobilize members and allies to get out the vote in a manner that meets this time of peril and elects leaders who will represent everyone and seek solutions to our shared challenges."** We must be proactive in affirming our rights, prepare for the worst and take action to realize the best.

RESOURCES

Voting Rights

- [Track your ballot](#) or [register to vote](#)
- [Voter protection and voter information by state](#) (866ourvote.org)
- [ACLU: Voting Rights \(national focus\)](#)
- [League of Women Voters](#)
- [NAACP: Democracy & Voting](#)
- [ACLU: Voting Rights—Voter Restoration](#)

Election Integrity

- [Brennan Center for Justice](#) (Brennancenter.org)
- [The Carter Center](#) (cartercenter.org)
- [Verified Voting: elections and technology information](#) (verifiedvoting.org)
- [National Council on Election Integrity](#) (issueone.org)

Immigrant Rights

- [National Network for Immigrant and Refugee Rights](#)
- [National Immigrant Justice Center](#)
- [Georgetown Law Library: Immigration Law Research Guide](#)

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Monitoring/Reporting Hate Group Activity and Crime

- [Faculty First Responders](http://facultyfirstresponders.com) (facultyfirstresponders.com)
- [Anti-Defamation League](#)
- [National Coalition of Anti-Violence Programs](#)
- [PEN America: Hateful Expression resources](#)

What's at Stake

- AFL-CIO Labor Votes: [Project 2025 and Unions](http://betterinaunion.org) (betterinaunion.org)

Issues, Threats and Strategies for Winning

- [Standing for Democracy: Library & Resources](http://standing4democracy.org) (standing4democracy.org)
- [Highlander Research and Education Center: Workshops and Trainings](http://highlandercenter.org) (highlandercenter.org)
- [AFT Votes](#)
- [Southern Poverty Law Center: Hate watch](http://splcenter.org) (splcenter.org)
- [AFT: Campus Free Speech Resources](http://aft.org) (aft.org)
- [PEN America: Educational Censorship resources](#)
- [AFT Higher Ed Memo on the Potential Impacts of Project 2025 to Higher Education](#)