

Who would you vote for as the next President of the United States and why?



I would vote for Donald Trump because I like his name.

James Osborne, Kindergarten, Hilton Elementary School, Ms. Edwards

I would vote for Hillary Clinton because I like her shirt.

Brooke Raby, Kindergarten, Hilton Elementary School, Ms. Edwards

I would like the president to be Donald Trump. He is kind and doesn't tell lies. Also, he is nice to little kids.

Joseph Arrington, 1st grade, Hilton Elementary School, Mrs. Light

I would vote for Donald Trump because he is cool. He is good. He owns a lot of land.

Cole Diets, 1st grade, Hilton Elementary School, Mrs. Light

I would vote for Donald Trump for the next President of the United States. If he loses against Clinton there will be no guns allowed in America.

Colten Johnson, 2nd grade, Nickelsville Elementary School, Mrs. Gilmer

If I could vote for president, I would vote Trump. He'll make the world a better place. They want Hilary to be president because they want to make history. He'll make it better because he is really nice. He'll make a good president.

Abigail Smith, 2nd grade, Hilton Elementary School, Ms. Rhoton

If I was able to vote, I wouldn't want to vote for anyone. I feel like I couldn't find the ability to vote. Trump and Clinton are like divorced parents fighting over us. These candidates tend to throw bombs at each other which is very upsetting. The responsibility to take a vote is really stressful and undertaking like a tidal wave, I wouldn't want to vote for either candidate.

Hannah Rutley, 4th grade, Miller Perry Elementary School, Ms. Jeffers

I think that Donald Trump would make a great president for the USA. First off, Donald Trump is a Republican. Republicans believe in less government, that the government should not play a big part in the US social programs. Plus, Republicans believe in less taxes. Donald Trump also has a lot of financial successes. He has a lot of money because of being a business man and was smart with his money. Plus, he has a ton of investments. Like I said, Donald Trump is a Republican and they believe in less taxes. Which means more money, which means more jobs, which means more money. See what I mean? If Donald Trump wins the election, he will make a great president for the USA.

Jack Soltis, 4th grade, Miller Perry Elementary School, Ms. Jeffers

I think that Donald Trump should be president because if Hillary wins my dad will be out of work. Hillary wants to take away coal, but my dad works in coal. This is where Trump takes action because he wants to bring coal back. I want Trump to win so that my dad can stay working for me and my mom. I hope that Hillary does not get voted in.

Madison Bailey, 5th grade, Elydale Elementary School, Mrs. Lisa/Ms. Jones

If I could vote in this election, I wouldn't vote for either candidate. One reason I would not vote for Trump is because he's mean. I would not vote for Hillary because she lies. I do not agree with either of their ideas. That's why I would not vote for either candidate in this election.

Michael Clifton, 5th grade, Yuma Elementary School, Ms. Mullins

In this election, I would not vote for Donald Trump or Hillary Clinton. All Mr. Trump talks about is building a wall, and I don't have anything nice to say about Mrs. Clinton. My family and I don't care what these candidates say because they argue too much. I would rather Gary Johnson win as an independent. These are my thoughts about this year's election.

Harper Dorton, 5th grade, Yuma Elementary School, Ms. Mullins

I think that Donald Trump should be president because if Hillary Clinton wins she will take away coal mining jobs and my papaw will lose his job. Then only my mamaw will be working. Another reason is because one of my friends will move away, for her dad to keep his job.

Sarah McPherson, 5th grade, Elydale Elementary School, Mrs. Lisa/Ms. Jones

If I could vote for president, I would write in Ben Carson. I would write in Ben Carson because he truly cares about the problems of the United States. Also, he doesn't want to be president for fame, he wants to be president to help this country. He also doesn't make remarks about men, women, or race. I think Ben Carson would be a great president.

Bella Reed, 5th grade, Weber City Elementary School, Mrs. Webb

I would vote for Hillary Clinton as the next president of the United States of America. My first reason is I would like to see a woman be president. My second reason is she is proposing an economic stimulus package. That means taxpayers would get a check from the government. These are the reason why I would vote for Hillary Clinton.

Natalie Vicars, 5th grade, Weber City Elementary School, Mrs. Webb

If I could vote for a president, I would vote for Donald Trump. Even though I think it would be cool to have a woman president, I feel like Donald Trump would be better. They both have their flaws, but from all the evidence against Hillary Clinton, Donald Trump might have a better chance at winning. Also, she can be very vain and conceited. Plus, Donald Trump has very good ideas. This is why I would vote for Donald Trump.

Jaden Hagy, 6th grade, Yuma Elementary School, Ms. Mullins

There are many reasons why you should pick Trump for president. Trump will lower taxes in the US. There will be more economic growth. He will bring factories back to the US. It will put people back to work. He will bring back clean coal energy and give miners jobs back. Hopefully Trump will win.

Trevor Hagy, 6th grade, Shoemaker Elementary School, Ms. Garrett



I would vote for Donald Trump. Here is one reason I would vote for him. He will not take away our gun rights. The second reason I would vote for him is because he will destroy ISIS. The third reason I would vote for him is he will not take away jobs. These are a few reasons why I would vote for Donald J. Trump!

Madysen Large, 6th grade, Weber City Elementary School, Mrs. Sanders

Why should Hillary Clinton be president? Here is one good reason. She is going to raise the taxes for the wealthy and not the poor. Hillary Clinton should be president because she will be the first woman president and she will show some women and girls that we can do anything the men can do or even better. The last reason that Hillary Clinton should become president is she is going to keep any terrorist from coming into our country to kill or harm us. As you can see, there are many reasons why Hillary Clinton should become president.

Terika Presley, 6th grade, Shoemaker Elementary School, Ms. Garrett

I would vote for Donald Trump. Why? Because he has a good plan for terrorism. If he becomes president, he won't shut down coal mines. Donald Trump will lower taxes more than Hillary Clinton. I hope Donald Trump becomes president!

Zackery Simpson, 6th grade, Weber City Elementary School, Mrs. Sanders

I would vote for Donald Trump, because he's not afraid to say the truth. Also, I support a lot of the choices he makes. He supports coal. If he brings coal back, then there are more jobs. We especially need more jobs in the Southwest Virginia area. Trump also believes in more secure border control, which we need. A lot of the shootings are from illegal immigrants and we need to stop the violence. He supports the second amendment right, which I believe in. I also believe in having stricter background checks. To me, I think Donald Trump is the best choice for our country, because he wants to Make America Great Again!

Hailey Walker, 7th grade, Powell Valley Middle School, Ms. Johnson

If I did have a chance to vote, I wouldn't. There is just so much drama going on with Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump this election year. All you see on T.V. is people saying Trump is a sexist, and Hillary is a liar. No one really knows if it's all true, but no matter what faults the candidates have, I wouldn't vote for either of them. When I do turn eighteen, I will vote, but the stress of electing a new President of the United States is unbearable. I'd rather not deal with the stress.

Josie Goodson, 8th grade, Surgoinsville Middle School, Mrs. Hensley

I think that Donald Trump would be a better president than Hillary Clinton for many reasons. One reason I think Trump would be the best choice is because Hillary is a liar. She says that she cares about kids, but she said that if she was elected president she would pass a law to make abortions legal, and if she cared about kids she would not do that. Another reason I think Trump is the better choice is because he would not stand with ISIS. ISIS is the problem and we don't need a president that is going to help them. There are still more reasons why I think that Donald Trump would be a better president.

Logan Grace, 8th grade, Pennington Middle School, Mrs. Clark/Mrs. Edwards

If I had a choice in who I would want living in the White House and as our next President of the United States, I would cast my vote for Hillary Clinton. Clinton has a sense of knowing what's happening in our beloved country and has strategies of what she is going to improve and how. She is a very intelligent woman, and she is not her husband's mistakes, for she has influential plans for the U.S. and isn't going to disappoint us. Hillary Clinton is willing to fight for the children of this country; they ARE the future of this nation. Clinton doesn't speak in an inappropriate manner, however she does have her faults, as does everyone. With this being said, team "Stronger Together" is absolutely the way to turn.

Norah Harold, 8th grade, Surgoinsville Middle School, Mrs. Hensley

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