

Resolution to Propose Modified Schedule at Temple University on Election Day

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RESOLUTION NO. 02-2020 This resolution calls upon Temple Student Government's Executive Branch to propose that Temple implement a university-wide closure for Election Day 2020, partial closure during night class, or operate on a modified schedule, as well as consider voting on election day an excused absence from class.

CURRENTLY, Temple does not provide a modified schedule or excused absences on Election Day.

KNOWING, voting is a crucial and constitutional right of an American.

KNOWING, students whether it be based on commuting, class times, childcare, or any such matter, are sometimes unable to have the time available to them to go and vote.

KNOWING, that this can not take effect for this upcoming primary

UNDERSTANDING, proposing a drastic change in such short notice will impede on their current initiatives, therefore, they will be given until the beginning of the following semester to make proper arrangements.

REAFFIRMING, this is the beginning of the conversation. Ideas like this will take time.

OPERATIVE-CLAUSE, Temple Student Government's Executive Branch should immediately begin the process to present this proposal to Theresa Powell, Vice President for Student Affairs.

OPERATIVE-CLAUSE, A committee from Temple Student Government should immediately be formed in order to formally propose a more well-rounded idea.

OPERATIVE-CLAUSE, that this would take effect for the upcoming general election and every following primary/general election afterwards

Research:

- University of Cincinnati open for normal hours
- Virginia Commonwealth University open for normal hours
 - Parliament has proposed resolution
- University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Parliament passed resolution
 - <https://drive.google.com/file/d/0BwSkeeLHJTNIITTRFdktBa015VF9mRFRBSzZtZ29DU1pSYy1N/view?usp=sharing>

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