Yom Ramock The Vote

10:30 Introduction

Introduce the Yom Meyuchad as yom Ramak The Vote (play on words of rock the vote)

Talk about the importance of elections and freedom of speech and democracy, and how this coming year there is A LOT at stake, and it is important to understand the issues

Explain the general outline of the day:

Campers will be split up into four groups

These groups will go over certain issues that our country is currently facing

The groups will select one representative to be their ‘candidate’ for president

Split the groups up; give them the four main topics that they will be discussing and the literature

11:00-12:00

Have groups discuss the issues, debate within the groups about each one

Have groups go over who their candidate will be, what their stance is, etc.

Dress up the candidate, prepare the candidate with his ‘ideologies’

12:15-12:45

Straw Poll Relay race

1:00-1:30

Have groups create posterboard fact sheets about their beliefs

Have groups create a political sign or visual ad for their candidate

1:30- 2:00

“foreign relations” (Call seminar)

2:00-4:00

Lunch/Shat Menuchah/Berkshires

4:00-5:30

Start Brainstorming and filming political add

Create a script and talking points that the group agrees on

Make Sure all members of the group get their opinions out before the script is finalized

Literature about the differences between positive and negative add campaigns

Let Campers decide if theirs will be positive or negative

Film Add with counselor

5:40

Super Tuesday Activity

6:15

Prep Candidate for Peulat Erev Debate

7:30

Dinner

Peulat Erev:

Candidates will have debates, their opening speeches will be their skits

After debates, campers will vote on their “ideal candidate”

Winner will be president, will give acceptance speech