

Montana Universities Swing Elections for Democrats

“The higher education you are paying for.”

In this article, I will make the case that several (if not many) of the elections in Montana were determined by college students. I will not be able to offer hard proof but I can make common sense observations that I believe are compelling. A friend who has worked the Election Day precinct for MSU for years tells me that the students vote in droves and are greatly influenced by the LEFT.

State wide, it is no secret that the Democrats work the college dormitories offering rides and often free food. That is to their credit as long as there is not pressure.

My bottom line concern is the indoctrination that is happening in our colleges. The Democratic Party stands for abortion above all else. It has long been an advocate of socialism (see my article at this link) http://www.bigskyworldview.org/content/docs/Library/Marxist_Democrats_and_the_PC_Right_Non_Dare_Call_it_Evil4.pdf, they are the enemy of traditional marriage, and they are advocates for LGBT rights even when they hinder religious freedom. And, much more. Sorry fellow Bobcats, if you think MSU is very different, you're out of touch.

While I salute the idea of youth being involved, I am very aware of the low information status of the vast majority of Millennials and how they are easily influenced by emotional arguments. They are also easily flattered by someone who appears to think their voices are the most important.

We know that many if not all students in Missoula received the letter you will find [here](#).
http://www.bigskyworldview.org/content/docs/Library/How_Dare_You_Note_Vote_Democrat.pdf

It seems likely that this letter - from the national Democratic Party - went across the state. While a few would have been offended by this letter, I suspect the majority would have been persuaded that they had a DUTY to vote Democrat. Yes, you should read it – you will be stunned by how controlling it is.

Buses, pizza, and emotional persuasion: In Bozeman alone, far LEFT leaning Forward Montana helped students to the polls and helped them register - hundreds on Election Day. And, they fed them pizza – the boxes were piled high with [Forward Montana](#) labels on the boxes. In the previous link, you can read about what UM, PhD candidate Lindsey Buck “gives a s___ about.” Yes, it’s all about social justice.

In Billings, MSUB and Rocky Mountain College students clearly put their fingers on the scale to defeat Tom McGillvray. The Dems worked the dorm halls at MSUB and Rocky – even coming to the doors of people in Billings who have students at these colleges.

In Bozeman, incumbent Montana Senate Candidate Jedediah Hinkle (MSU is within his district) was defeated as he saw a wave of college students drastically increase the voter turnout this year to defeat him.

But, let’s take a close look at just one county and think about what happened in **one race – the Tester vs. Rosendale race**. Interestingly, if you do the math, <http://mtelectionresults.gov/resultsSW.aspx?type=FED&map=CTY> it appears obvious that MSU voters had a huge impact for Tester. There was an 11,000 vote difference in Gallatin County.

Let’s do that math conservatively: (Figures as of 11/13/2018)

1. The population of the county is 103,810. This does not include students because if it did, 52% of the total population voted - 53,750 voted.
2. If you assume the **adult population** is about 72,667 (70%)
3. If you assume 85% are **registered** to vote, you have 61,766.
4. Now assume a **65% voter turnout** and you’re at 40,148 votes from the county population. (All these assumptions are very conservative.)
5. 53,750 actual votes minus my estimate of 40,148 from the county leaves **you with 13,602** votes to come from somewhere else.
6. At this point, for me, I don’t know where these votes came from and I am not accusing anyone.
7. I can assume that a large percentage came from student voters who were not residents of the county. While the math is not precise, it does appear that at least 13,602 voters are not accounted for by Gallatin residents.

8. Whoever they are if they broke 60% (the county average) for Tester. That is 8,161 votes. Remember, **my case is NOT that students should not vote, it is that they vote Democrat.** Again, the county broke 11,000 for Tester.
9. State wide as of 11/14/18 the state broke 18,000 for Tester

One thing is certain – these students made a huge difference in just one county. The math would not be much different for Missoula. The county has 117, 000 residents and there were 59,419 votes in this race. Missoula broke 21, 966 for Tester, almost 150% of the state wide difference.

Meanwhile, timid Yellowstone went for Rosendale by only 2,500 votes partially because – compared to the above mentioned counties – its voter turnout on this issue was low.

Of course, my math is not precise but I think it raises an interesting question. I would be interested in your analysis.

Respectfully,
Dick Pence