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MONTANA YOUTH VOTE HOLDSELECTION

HELENA, MT-- The Montana Youth Vote 2020 held its election today in many schools throughout Montana, and election results were finalized at 4:00 p.m. This year, the Youth Vote Election polled two demographics. Grades K-6 voted for the President and other age appropriate questions. Grades 7-12 voted on the full Montana state and federal ballot, including ballot initiatives. In the upper grade election, students were given the Voter Information Pamphlet and information about the candidates so they could be well versed in their choices before voting. Approximately 4,500 students from Montana schools participated in the election.

Results are as follows (in order of percentage of votes):

President:

Donald Trump (R)	63.51%
Joseph R Biden (D)	29.21%
Jo Jorgensen (L)	7.28%

Secretary of State:

Christi Jacobsen (R)	67.77%
Bryce Bennett (D)	32.23%

US Senate:

Steve Daines (R)	55.80%
Steve Bullock (D)	44.20%

Attorney General:

Austin Knudsen (R)	50.15%
Raph Graybill (D)	49.85%

US House:

Matt Rosendale (R)	61.38%
Kathleen Williams (D)	38.62%

State Auditor:

Troy Downing (R)	58.77%
Shane A Morigeau (D)	32.05%
Roger Roots (L)	9.18%

Governor:

Greg Gianforte (R)	55.71%
Mike Cooney (D)	30.31%
Lyman Bishop (L)	13.98%

Supt of Public Instruction:

Elsie Arntzen (R)	49.75%
Melissa Romano (D)	38.93%
Kevin Leatherbarrow (L)	11.32%

Supreme Court Justice #5

Laurie McKinnon	51.77%
Mike Black	48.23%

Supreme Court Justice #6

Jim Shea – Retain	79.30%
- Not Retain	20.70%

Constitutional Amendment C-46

Constitutional Amendment C-47

Yes 68.24%
No 31.76%

Yes 67.14%
No 32.86%

Constitutional Initiative CI-118

Yes 60.52%
No 39.48%

Legislative Referendum No 130

Yes 51.09%
No 48.91%

Initiative No. 190

Yes 57.73%
No 42.27%

Youth Election results were a spot-on predictor for candidate wins in 2016. All but one candidate chosen by the youth election were the winners of the 2016 general election, and that incorrect prediction was only by a handful of votes.

Montana Youth Vote is a collaborative effort between the Secretary of State's Office and the Office of Public Instruction. The purpose of the Youth Vote is to provide students the experience of voting, their most important civic duty as American citizens.

View the Youth Vote results at <https://youthvote.sosmt.gov/>.

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