OVER 250,000 ARIZONA STUDENTS REGISTERED TO VOTE IN PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE ELECTION

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Arizona Kids to share their choice for President of the United States

[Phoenix, AZ] Students from nearly 500 schools will cast their vote in the Kids Voting Arizona Presidential Preference Election both on-line and at participating schools statewide. Kids Voting Arizona aspires to engage all Arizona youth in voting at an early age, hoping that as adults they will be engaged citizens and strengthen our democratic republic.

Starting today through February 5th at 7pm, any Arizona student can visit <u>www.KidsVotingAZ.org</u> to vote, or cast their ballot in class at a participating school. Results will be reported on the Kids Voting Arizona website starting at 3pm on Election Day.

"By teaching this generation to exercise their right and responsibility as citizens to vote, we are preserving the health of our democratic republic," said Jeffrey Schrade, Senior Director for Kids Voting Arizona. "And since the Kids Voting classroom curriculum includes activities for discussing the voting process with family at home, I know many of today's kid voters have encouraged their parents to vote as well. How will you answer when your child asks if you voted?"

Kids Voting Arizona provides its hands-on curriculum free to all Arizona schools that ask for it. The curriculum, when coupled with family exercises and an opportunity to vote in a Kids Voting election, has been shown to increase adult turnout by as much as 5%. Over 1 million votes have been cast by Arizona's youngest citizens since Kids Voting Arizona started in 1988.

Would you like to find out which Presidential candidates have the support of Arizona's future generation? Results will be available starting 3pm on Election Day at www.KidsVotingAZ.org.

About Kids Voting Arizona

Kids Voting Arizona is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, grassroots-driven voter education program. As an organization, Kids Voting Arizona is committed to creating lifelong voting habits in children and increasing adult voter turnout. Through the Kids Voting Arizona program, Arizona is leading the fight against voter apathy. Kids Voting Arizona is administered through a partnership with the Arizona Foundation for Legal Services & Education.