

# Students, adults weigh in on election

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In December, the eighth-grade Humanities class from Krueger Middle School is having a Mock Congress session. Our goal is to see what it would be like to be members of Congress trying to pass a bill to a law. This process has made students more aware of the legislative process, including the most recent elections.

This year's presidential election has turned out to be a controversial topic for the country. A few weeks before the election, I interviewed students and adults and asked for their points of view on the election. I got positive statements and negative statements, but all seemed to make a point.

When I asked what their thoughts were on the candidates, many were frustrated with the options.

"I feel (people's choices) are more based off of personality than ability," said student Alex Munoz. Another student, Deavionne Whiting, said, "I think both candidates are incapable of running this country."

When I asked my mother, DeMetria Tyler, her opinion, she said, "I've never seen worse. I'm not really a fan of either candidate and I think this election will push America back 60 years."

Both students and adults I interviewed said that they didn't necessarily like either candidate, but no one really knew at the time who was going to win the Presidency or what would happen after the election. The results of the election motivated me to give more interviews to get opinions on what others think of the Electoral College.

Student Korah DeLeon said, "I don't think this election was fair because the people voted for Hillary Clinton, but since Electoral College was in place, Donald Trump won. People aren't represented the way they want to be because of the Electoral College and this isn't fair."

A teacher, Ms. Lee, said of the Electoral College, "It does not represent the people accurately. I think it worked when we didn't have the communication we have today. It's kind of archaic."

I'm sure the next few months in America will be interesting. We certainly couldn't have predicted what would happen with the election or how people would react to it, but nevertheless, we must keep moving



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