

DataHaven Classroom Materials

Title of Material: Do Now: Why Vote?

Topics Discussed: Voting rights, voter suppression

Skills Utilized: Brainstorming, peer collaboration

Format: Individual

In Person or Online: In Person

Procedure/Instruction Suggestions:

This can be used to gauge their initial understanding, to create discussion, and introduce the topic of voting.

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Why vote?

Voting and the ability to vote has been a cornerstone of our country since its founding. However, this right has been denied to, taken away from, and fought for by many groups of Americans since the very beginning.

- 1. In a few words, describe what voting means to you:
- 2. Turn to a classmate and ask them what voting means to them, then write their words:
- 3. Why is the right to vote so important?
- 4. Why would something like your right to vote be attacked?