

2020 Electoral College Class Activity

The Electoral College is a process that even has a lot of adults scratching their heads. Use this [Kids Discover Electoral College infographic](#) and these cards to demonstrate how the electoral college can be different from the popular vote and how states are assigned their points.

For smaller class sizes, you have a few options. One option is to join forces with another teacher and classroom. Another is to simply use the number of students in your class. I recommend using a wide variety of point values (for example California's 55 and Vermont's 3) to show how different the numbers are between states.

Note: Those born in the US Territories (including Puerto Rico, the US Virgin Islands, and Guam) are American citizens, but they are not included in the Electoral College. If this is something you would like to demonstrate with your students, we have included a Puerto Rico card. They have 0 electoral college, but have the population for about 6. Would this change your classroom results? While this is completely optional, it could create a thoughtful class discussion on the fairness of the electoral college.

<i>Alabama</i>	<i>Alaska</i>
<i>9</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Arizona</i>	<i>Arkansas</i>
<i>11</i>	<i>6</i>

California

55

Colorado

9

Connecticut

7

Delaware

3

Florida

29

Georgia

16

Hawaii

4

Idaho

4

Illinois

20

Indiana

11

Iowa

6

Kansas

6

Kentucky

8

Louisiana

8

Maine

4

Maryland

10

Massachusetts

11

Michigan

16

Minnesota

10

Mississippi

6

Missouri

10

Montana

3

Nebraska

5

Nevada

6

New Hampshire

4

New Jersey

14

New Mexico

5

New York

29

North Carolina

15

North Dakota

3

Ohio

18

Oklahoma

7

Oregon

7

Pennsylvania

20

Rhode Island

4

South Carolina

9

South Dakota

3

Tennessee

11

Texas

38

Utah

6

Vermont

Virginia

3	13
<i>Washington</i>	<i>West Virginia</i>
12	5
<i>Wisconsin</i>	<i>Wyoming</i>
10	3
<i>Washington D.C.</i>	<i>** Puerto Rico</i>
3	0