

Bemidji State University Department of Housing & Residential Life
POLITICAL CAMPAIGNING/CANVASSING IN THE RESIDENCE HALLS

All political candidates, all those seeking support for a petition, and all those campaigning to gain support for a referendum shall:

1. Notify Housing & Residential Life at least one (1) week in advance of requested canvassing date(s), reslife@bemidjistate.edu, or 218-755-3750 (ask for Director of Housing).
2. Candidates may campaign in public areas (lobby), on residence community floors, or in Walnut Hall, and may be joined by up to 5 campaign workers. In the absence of their candidate, campaign workers may ONLY campaign in public areas (lobby or Walnut).
3. All candidates and/or representatives and petitioners must check in at the front desk of the appropriate residence hall. All door-to-door canvassing can only be done between the hours of 5-8 pm.
4. All candidates and/or representatives agree to wear identification badges provided by Housing & Residential Life and obtained from the front desk.
5. All candidates and/or representatives and petitioners must skip any door with a sign indicating they do not want to be canvassed. (no canvassing sign)
6. There shall be no materials slid underneath any doors in the residence halls. Literature may be left at the designated table in the lobby or left neatly on/at door.
7. Candidates and/or representatives and petitioners may set up information tables in designated areas, with the approval of the Housing Office (**this is the encouraged canvassing method in the residence halls**)
8. No amplified sound may be used.
9. Political advertising can be inserted into mailboxes when items are addressed in accordance to USPS guidelines
10. Housing & Residential Life stamp authorization is required to post campaign literature on designed bulletin boards. Submit to Housing & Residential Life, Walnut Hall.
11. Any request shall fall under the guidelines outlined by Minnesota State Law. Including the need for the candidate to be present for canvassing.

Any candidate and/or representative and petitioner violating these policies are subject to removal from the building by Housing & Residential Life Staff and/or BSU Public Safety.