

VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE OCTOBER 10

There has been a lot of discussion about the 18 year-old vote and its impact on the '72 elections. The kids seem pleased at the prospect of having a chance to determine their own destiny. However, when the actual question of registration comes up, it is discovered that very few people on campus are actually registered to vote. The immediate conclusion which pops into one's head is that these kids have been bullshitting themselves and each other. I have reached a different conclusion. People just don't understand what registration is all about, and there is a natural fear regarding the unknown. Just think, though, of all the things you had to do for the first time - walk, talk, drink, smoke, love.....As the man said - the more knowledge you have, the more you understand. (Grapes and strawberries notwithstanding). Because we feel that more people would register if they only knew the facts, we are now prepared to present to you some plain and simple facts provided us by the Pa. Democratic State Committee.

1. If you will be 18 years of age on or before Nov. 8, you are eligible to vote.
2. You may register to vote at your local designated stations or at the county courthouse in Wilkes-Barre during regular business hours or the special hours listed for your district.

DROP-ADD RULES ANNOUNCED

The Division of Counseling has released the Drop-Add Regulations. All persons wishing to drop or add a course must comply with these rules under the date specifications listed. If these rules apply to you, please check with DOC immediately.

Rule J-2 and J-3 of the University Senate Policies and Rules for Undergraduate Students reads as follows:

J-2 With his advisor's approval a student may add a course during the first ten calendar days of a term and may drop a course during the first twenty-one days of a term.

J-3 A student may not add a course to his schedule after the first ten calendar days of a term.

Under extenuating circumstances, a student may drop a course after the first twenty-one calendar days of a term and then only upon approval of his dean, or the director of his Commonwealth Campus.

3. You must register BEFORE OCTOBER 10 to be eligible to vote on November 7.
4. If you are an out-of-state student or live on another county but attend school in Luzerne, you may register where you attend school IF you will reside in that county 30 days prior to the November election and provided you are not already registered in your home county.
5. If you register as Independent you may NOT vote in the primaries.
6. Students are not required to pay any taxes or own property in order to register.
7. Proof of age or address is not necessary at the time of registration.
8. If you are already registered at your parents' address, you may vote by absentee ballot if you will not be home November 7. You may write for your ballot from this date until 8 p.m. of the Tuesday prior to the election. You must request the forms from your County Board of Elections. These forms must then be returned to Election Officials and received no later than the Friday prior to the election date. A listing of the places to mail for your absentee ballot is available in the Collegian Office.

If there are any question you might have, feel free to come to the Collegian Office. We will help you if we can. Be Free. Be Unafraid. VOTE.

Due to technical difficulties . . .

Many of you are asking yourself, "Self, is this the newspaper?" No, it is not. Guess again! This is a newsletter designed to keep up with our policy of trying to supply the student with the information as he needs it.

THE COLLEGIAN WILL RISE AGAIN, hopefully by our tentative date of October 25. However, to accomplish this minor miracle we need people of various talents to work as managing editor, editorial writer, and typists, and to fill positions open in reporting and advertising. Anyone interested in lending their services please contact Tricia Fisher or leave a note with Mrs. Bast in the Memorial Building.

Guaranteed student loans available

Emergency legislation, passed on August 19, 1972, and effective until March 1, 1973, makes it possible for lenders to make loans under the same regulations that governed the Guaranteed Student Loan Program prior to June 30, 1972.

This program enables you to borrow money directly from a bank, credit union, savings and loan association or other participating lender. The loan is guaranteed by a State or private nonprofit guarantee agency or insured by the Federal Government.

You may borrow up to a maximum of \$1,500 per academic year. You may borrow up to a total of \$7,500. If your adjusted family income is less than \$15,000 per year, the Federal Government will pay the interest on the loan while you are attending school and until the beginning of the repayment period. The repayment period begins between 9 and 12 months after you leave school or complete your course of study.

You may normally take 5 to 10 years to repay the loan. However, the minimum monthly payment of \$30 may reduce the repayment period, depending upon the size of your loan. Repayment may be deferred for up to 3 years while you serve in the military, Peace Corps, or VISTA; or for any period that you return to full-time study. You may borrow under this program if you are enrolled or have been accepted for enrollment at least half-time:

in an eligible COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY, or HOSPITAL SCHOOL OF NURSING (including many FOREIGN SCHOOLS) as an undergraduate or graduate student.
in an approved VOCATIONAL, TECHNICAL, TRADE, BUSINESS, or HOME STUDY SCHOOL.

You must submit an affidavit declaring that the loan will be used only for educational purposes. This affidavit must be notarized or signed by a person having the authority to administer oaths or affirmations.

For further information contact your regional office of the U.S. Office of Education, State Guarantee Agency, or Lender. On Campus you may contact Dean McCallus, Student Financial Aid Officer, in the Memorial Building.