

A.S. & RHA Campaigning Guidelines in the Residence Halls

Areas under jurisdiction of the RHA Elections Committee include property managed by Residential and Community Living (R&CL) and Dining Services



Voting

1. RHA Voting Period: Monday, April 15th, 10am through Thursday, April 18th, 8pm
2. A.S. Voting Period: Monday, April 22nd, 8am through Thursday, April 25th, 4pm
 - a. AS Voting Period is subject to change. Please contact the AS Elections Board for more information

General Guidelines

1. No RHA candidate may run in association with a party or political collective
 - a. Party is defined as any organization that coordinates candidates to compete in a particular election
2. RHA candidates are **unable to campaign outside of the dorms** unless the RHA Elections Committee has provided written permission
3. No RHA candidate or R&CL employee may wear any RHA or AS campaign materials to any RHA sponsored or R&CL events
4. RHA candidates must **get all campaign promises or claims approved** by the RHA Elections Committee
5. RHA and AS candidates are prohibited from campaigning at any R&CL meetings or events
6. RHA and AS candidates may table outside the dining hall with permission from the RHA Elections Committee and approval from RHA via the Tabling Request form at <https://www.rhaucsb.com/lawn-tabling-requests>
7. RHA and AS candidates are prohibited from campaigning within any floor/wing's GroupMe chats, Discord servers, or any other floor-exclusive forums unless they are members of that floor/wing
8. **All candidates are expected to understand all election guidelines and contact the RHA Elections Committee if any rules are unclear**

Flyering Guidelines

1. All **RHA campaigning materials must be within the dorms** unless the RHA Elections Committee has provided written permission for campaign materials to be posted elsewhere
2. All campaign flyers hung on Residential and Community Living (R&CL) property **require prior approval by the RHA Elections Committee and require the "RHA Approved" stamp**
 - a. Flyers are to be sent to rha.ucsb.avp@gmail.com
 - b. The committee will rule and respond within 2 business days. Instructions on getting flyers stamped will be included in the approval email
 - c. Candidates are advised to request approval prior to the campaigning period

RHA Elections Committee - Committee Chair: Jaden Whitson | rha.ucsb.avp@gmail.com

Report elections violations and direct questions to Jaden Whitson

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3. Residence Hall Lead Staff (Resident Directors and Assistant Resident Directors) are **not** allowed to approve flyers
4. Once approved, campaign flyers may only remain up in residence halls **from one week before** voting for one's respective election starts **to 48 hours** after voting closes
 - a. Candidates are **responsible for removing their own flyers**. Failure to do so can result in one or more strikes
5. **RHA Candidates** can start physical campaigning **Monday, April 8th at 10am** through **Thursday, April 18th 8pm**
6. **A.S. Candidates** can start physical campaigning **Monday, April 16th at 8am** through **Thursday, April 25th, 4pm**
7. All flyers are limited to **8.5" by 11" in size**
8. Flyers may not be slanderous or libelous toward other candidates
9. Flyers are only to be hung up with **blue painter's tape**
10. Flyers may **not** be hung up in elevators, Santa Catalina Espacios (with the exception of the Fiesta Room, San Cat Kitchen, and Linda Vista Room), restrooms, or on restroom doors
11. Flyers may **not** be hung up on or within the gates of the Carillo and Santa Catalina Pools
12. Flyers may **not** be hung up in the **De La Guerra, Ortega, Carrillo, and Portola** dining commons
13. Flyers may **not** cover another flyer, elections-related or not
 - a. Candidates may not move or remove flyers
14. Flyers may **not** cover building signage
15. Flyers may **not** obstruct fire alarms or emergency exit signs
16. A maximum of one flyer is allowed per floor of the following residence halls:
 - a. Santa Catalina, San Rafael, Manzanita Village, San Miguel, San Nicolas
17. A maximum of one flyer is allowed per wing of the following residence halls:
 - a. Santa Rosa, Santa Cruz, Anacapa
 - b. Wings can be determined by looking at the Door Decks (door name tags). All Door Decks within a wing are the same theme
 - c. Candidates are responsible for avoiding over-flyering. Contact the RHA Elections Committee if assistance or clarification is needed
18. A maximum of one flyer is allowed per residence hall front desk
19. A maximum of one flyer is allowed per common area
 - a. Common areas are defined as open public spaces commonly used by **all** residents of a residence hall

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- b. Floor/wing lounges are **not** common areas, as they are only commonly used by residents of that floor/wing

Door-to-Door Campaigning Guidelines

1. Door-to-Door flyering is **not permitted**
2. Door-to-Door speaking is **permitted, contingent on permission from the RHA Elections Committee** by contacting rha.ucsb.avp@gmail.com
 - a. RHA and AS candidates require written permission from the RHA Elections Committee for **all individuals door-to-door campaigning within the dorms**, including the candidate and any persons campaigning with the candidate
 - b. RHA Visitation runs **Monday, April 8th at 10am** through **Thursday, April 18th, 8pm**
 - c. A.S. Visitation runs **Monday, April 16th at 8am** through **Thursday, April 25th, 4pm**
 - d. Visitation hours are limited to the following hours:
 - 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm Monday through Friday
 - 12:00 pm to 8:30 pm Saturday through Sunday
 - e. Candidates may **only visit suites or rooms once**
 - Suites take precedence over rooms
 - Knocking on the door counts as a visit regardless of if a resident answers
 - f. "No Solicitation" signs **must** be respected and are available at every residence hall front desk

Penalties for Malfeasance

- 1st Strike will result in a warning
- 2nd Strike will result in the required removal of all campaign materials from R&CL property
- 3rd Strike will result in the revocation of **all** campaign privileges on R&CL property including door-to-door visitation and campaign materials
 - RHA candidates will risk suspension from candidacy
- All violations by A.S. candidates will also be forwarded to the A.S. Elections Board
- Candidates will be notified within 24 hours of receiving a strike
- **Any action against the spirit or rules of the election can result in one or more strikes**
- **When in doubt, contact the RHA Elections Committee for permission/clarification**