



SPRING 2021

### **RECAP - What have we been up to?**

Last Fall, Sabrina Ukasik (Medical Laboratory Technician) and Madysen Kelly (Early Childhood and Child Development) became CCAC's **first-ever Democracy Fellows** through the non-partisan Campus Vote Project. Working alongside Dr. Jacqueline M. Cavalier, Professor of History and Civic Engagement Coordinator, CCAC's Democracy Fellows work to learn more about the school's dedication to educating students on voter registration, election day processes, and providing a place for student advocacy. As Democracy Fellows, Sabrina and Madysen prepared to engage students virtually and on CCAC campuses to ensure their confidence and commitment to student participation and democratic engagement.

[Read more about Democracy Fellows Sabrina and Madysen Here!](#)

In 2020 CCAC received a gold medal from the **ALL IN Democracy Challenge** for excellence in above-average student voter engagement in the 2018 midterm elections; CCAC President Dr. Quintin Bullock signed the **President's Commitment** to FULL student voter participation in the 2020 presidential election and in addition, CCAC was recently designated as a **VOTER-FRIENDLY CAMPUS** by the Campus Vote Project – an honor indeed!

Despite the Covid-19 challenges, our Democracy Fellows were able to hold a virtual 2020 "ASK ALL" election question event, **for students by students**. With Sabrina and Madysen hosting and facilitating the event, the goal was to help eliminate the barriers students face on college campuses surrounding student voting.

### **Upcoming Events/Important Dates**

The **Allegheny County Municipal Election** will take place on May 18, 2021. Be sure to register for the primary by May 3rd and request your mail-in or absentee ballot by May 11<sup>th</sup>. If you want to learn more about candidates on the primary ballot, visit [Allegheny County Elections](#) for an unofficial candidate list, updated daily.

Please join us on Wednesday, April 7 for the 5th annual **PA Youth Voting Summit**, from 12:00-2:00 p.m. The event will take place via Zoom with various speakers from Campus Vote Project, Campus Election Engagement Project, and students from college campuses across Pennsylvania including our very own Madysen Kelly who will be co-leading a breakout room with a community college student from Philadelphia. This is definitely an event you won't want to miss - [Register for the PA Youth Voting Summit here today!!](#)

On April 15th PA Community Colleges will be holding a virtual **Community College Day** from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Join Democracy Fellows Madysen and Sabrina from 9-11 a.m. as they show their Wild Cat pride and provide highlights from their campuses and share CCAC stories. Be on the lookout for updated information on this event - we hope to see you there!

Finally, are you a student who loves being an advocate for your peers? Feel passionate about democracy and your campus involvement? You've come to the right place! Visit the link below to learn more about being a [Campus Vote Project Democracy Fellow](#).

If you want to stay current on [CCAC's Civic Engagement](#) activities, please visit our webpage for more updates on what we've been up to and events to come.