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THE SIGNAL

THIS WEEK IN NEWS

2018 Midterm Edition

NEWS

Early voting commenced Oct. 22



Early voting takes place Oct. 22 to Nov. 2 at various times depending on the location.
Election Day is Tuesday, Nov. 6, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Polling places and the ballots

- Harris County: [Early Voting Locations](#), [Sample Ballot](#) and [Nov. 6 Locations](#)
- Galveston: [Early Voting Times/Locations](#), [Sample Ballot](#) and [Nov. 6 Locations](#)
- Brazoria County: [Early Voting Times/Locations](#), [Sample Ballot](#) and [Nov. 6 Locations](#)
- Fort Bend County: [Early Voting Times/Locations](#), [Sample Ballot](#) and [Nov. 6 Locations](#)

2018 Non-partisan Election Guides

- [League of Women Voters](#)
- [Texas Tribune](#)
- [Houston Chronicle](#)

As midterm elections near, the debates heat up

All 435 U.S. House of Representative seats are up for reelection with 236 of them being held by Republicans and 193 of them being held by Democrats. The remaining six seats are vacant. [Read Article](#)



[THROWBACK: Do elections affect the economy?](#)

OPINION

THROWBACK COLUMN: If I could vote in the election, I would



Being from Venezuela, a place where democracy no longer exists, and where people's voices are shut down even when they try to speak up, there's only one thing I can tell you: you still have a choice, so don't take voting for granted. [Read Article](#)

Why do you vote?

I vote because...

Midterms 2018: Research matters just as much as casting a vote

Don't think solely in terms of red and blue, elephant and donkey. Your vote should stand for what it is you want and believe in. [Read Article](#)



[COMMENTARY: Time to study for the midterm \[elections\]](#)

MULTIMEDIA



INFOGRAPHIC: Beto vs. Cruz

The incumbent Republican Senatorial candidate Ted Cruz faces off against Democratic candidate Beto O'Rourke, U.S. Representative for Texas' 16th congressional district. The infographic below shows how they compare on major issues. [Interact with Infographic](#)

INFOGRAPHIC: Propositions A and B explained for 2018 Midterms

Propositions A and B are on the November 6th Houston ballot. Proposition A addresses funding to address flooding concern and Proposition B would make firefighters' pay equal to police officers' pay. [View Infographic](#)

[INTERACTIVE INFOGRAPHIC: How well do you know the United States Congress?](#)



TIMELINE: A history of voter suppression

When the Constitution was written, the Founding Fathers failed to include the rights of many. Specifically, voting rights were not extended to women or to minorities. [View Timeline](#)

[THROWBACK VIDEO: A 'how-to' video for first time voters](#)

[VIDEO: Hawks share why it is important to vote](#)

[THROWBACK INFOGRAPHIC: How to read the news](#)