## **Election Story**

Penn State students were willing to share their opinions on the upcoming presidential election when asked who they were voting for and why.

Out of 126 total students surveyed, 38 plan to vote for Trump and 88 plan to vote for Biden.

Emma Bannach (senior – economics) says she plans to vote for Joe Biden. "Biden places more of an emphasis on climate change and reducing carbon emissions," said Bannach. "He cares more about LGBTQ rights and will give them more of a chance."

Other students saw Biden in a similar light. "My values align very well with his policies," said Veronica Hansen (freshman – political science). "I admire the type of leader he is, I appreciate the way he treats the people he works with and represents, and I respect respectful people," said Hansen.

Eric Huuki (sophomore – electrical engineering) shared a similar view about Biden. "I think he is a more moral person than Trump," said Huuki. "I think all politicians are corrupt, but I think Biden is the lesser of the two evils."

Kate Fahey (junior – musical theatre) also thought similarly. "Biden is the lesser of two evils, even though I don't believe in everything he does," said Fahey. "I think Joe Biden is for the people and Donald Trump is only for wealthy, white men."

One student expressed opposite views to the majority. Derian Caldwell (junior – civil engineering) said that he plans to vote for Donald Trump this election. "Trump's views align more with mine than Joe Biden," said Caldwell. "Trump did a decent job handling the coronavirus situation and I think it would've been better than what Joe Biden would've done."

Another student expressed his utter dislike for Trump as a human-being as the basis behind his decisionto vote for Biden. "As the days progress, the Trump agenda seems more like a dictatorship," said Kyle Blumenthal (junior – acting). "I cannot and will not support Trump."

Election Day is Tuesday. It is already too late to vote by mail and have your vote count. If you need help finding out how and where you can vote in Pennsylvania visit <u>https://www.pa.gov/guides/voting-and-elections/</u>.