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Press Release

Hopatcong Middle School Election

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Cynthia Randina, Hopatcong Superintendent of Schools, Announces

On October 25, 2016, Hopatcong Middle School ran a Mock Election. The whole student body participated. Each student was given a paper ballot to mimic the sample election form that is mailed to people's houses. Then, using their newly acquired chrome books, the students logged on to the: Youth Leadership Incentive (YLI) web site. They were able to cast their votes, along with youth across the United States for their presidential choice. The results were very interesting:

<u>National</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Our school</u>
Clinton 48%	Clinton 47%	Clinton 28%
Trump 36%	Trump 36%	Trump 44%

8,583 students voted in the state of New Jersey.

Mrs. Barbara Sanders' class ran the election. They made campaign posters and handed out ballots, "U.S.A. tootsie rolls and "I voted!" stickers. They also collected and counted the paper ballots. The students took their jobs seriously, as they learned the importance of the democratic process through their participation.

Some people say the Mock Election is an indicator of the results of the national election. Who knows? Will it go along with the national, or with Hopatcong's choice? We'll find out on November 8th! Thank you, Hopatcong Middle School, for participating in this historic event!

