Office of Residential Life
University of Minnesota, Morris
Political Solicitation Policy
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The Fair Campaign Practices Act of the 1976 Minnesota Statutes (210A.43) allow residential communities to establish political solicitation guidelines for candidates or workers accompanied by candidates. Specified in the state law are the following:

1. Residents may deny admittance into their personal residential unit.

2. Reasonable and proper identification is required and an identification badge must be worn at all times by the candidate and their campaign workers while they are in the residence halls or apartments.

3. Visits by candidates and workers accompanied by the candidate for the sole purpose of campaigning may be limited to:
   - reasonable numbers of person(s),
   - reasonable hours,
   - prior appointments.

The Office of Residential Life (ORL) at the University of Minnesota, Morris will grant political candidates access to the on-campus residence halls for campaigning purposes as specified in the guidelines below:

- Candidate access is only allowed in connection with municipal, state and federal elections.

- Candidates will be permitted access to campaign on the floors and lounges of on-campus residence halls between the hours of 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Saturday/Sunday.

- Candidates must contact the ORL professional staff or Campus Police at least one day prior to entering a residence hall. This can be done by calling ORL at 320-589-6475 between 8:00 am and 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday, or after hours and weekends call Campus Police at 320-287-1601.

- Candidates and accompanying campaign workers must wear identification badges/name tags at all times while in the residence halls. The candidate will provide badges/name tags for themselves and campaign workers. They must also be prepared to provide proof of identification to University of Minnesota, Morris staff.
• Candidates may have no more than four (4) campaign workers accompany them during their visit. Workers must stay on the same floor as the candidate.

• Any resident may place notice on the door of his/her room requesting that candidates not disturb him/her. All candidates and campaign workers are expected to abide by the notice.

• In keeping with the UMM commitment to sustainability, Candidates and campaign workers accompanying a candidate are discouraged from sliding informational leaflets under the doors of rooms that have requested to not be disturbed. Materials may be placed in the lounges for public display.

• Candidates and campaign workers that fail to comply with these guidelines will be asked to leave the residence halls.