I can't vote, so what's the point?

10 Ways to Be Politically Active

(Even if you are unable to vote)

1) Know who your local officials are, visit https://www.stpaul.gov/departments & St. Paul Board of Education https://www.spps.org/boe for more information.

2) Know how to get in touch with them, this is the age of social media USE IT – your phone is your best ally.

3) Identify issues you care about and stay updated on policies and officials working in those areas.

4) Attend Town Hall, School Board and City Council meetings – you have the right to public speech, USE IT!

5) Volunteer for a political campaign. Campaigns welcome high school and college student volunteers, and they play an integral role in by registering and mobilizing new voters.

6) Volunteer at their office - sounds easy right? That's because it is, find their website and sign up for email updates. Locate their local office, stop by and say you'd like to volunteer for an hour or two.

7) Attend local events, learn about upcoming events through social media, subscribing to a local political party email list and newspaper articles.

8) Stay informed. Keep learning. Learn about political issues and their historical contexts. Evaluate news outlets and check for reliable sources.

9) Join a youth council/cabinet:
   ➢ Minnesota Alliance with Youth - https://mnyouth.net/
   ➢ National Youth Leadership Council - https://nylc.org/
   ➢ St. Paul Youth Commission - https://www.stpaul.gov/departments/parks-recreation/recreation-centers/programs/youth-commission
   ➢ Saint Paul Youth on boards - https://www.stpaul.gov/departments/parks-and-recreation/recreation-centers/parks-recreation-programs/youth-boards

10) SHARE YOUR KNOWLEDGE!!!