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Tips on how to
raise your voice in
the federal election

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Be ready when federal election candidates and canvassers come knocking at your door!

- Check out the federal election priorities set by the CTF/FCE along with ways to engage in the campaign, from questions to ask candidates, to printing the campaign door hanger and social media shareables to distribute, posted here at vox.ctf-fce.ca.
- When canvassers visit you, make sure that your I Teach. I Vote. door hanger is front and centre for them to see and your list of priorities is close at hand.
- Consider the power of your personal compelling stories and lived experiences in the classroom. These will help to engage election candidates at the level of shared values and motivate them to understand (and hopefully agree with) the teacher perspective.
- Know your riding. Share any local data about how people in your community and the children in your classrooms are facing and addressing the challenges posed in the priorities.
- **Consider asking:**
 - **What is your party's plan to eliminate poverty in Canada?**
 - **What does your party plan to do to provide greater economic opportunities to women?**
 - **What does your party plan to do in order to improve knowledge and access to mental health resources, supports, and services to assist students, teachers, and education support workers in publicly funded, K-12 public schools in Canada?**
 - **What will your party do to protect pensions?**
 - **How is your party going to address the adverse effects of climate change?**
- Stay on message and don't allow canvassers to bring up multiple other issues to get you sidetracked. This is your home and candidates need to hear about your issues to win your vote.
- Invite teacher colleagues, parents and members of the community to support issues related to the CTF/FCE's priorities.