



## **PATHFINDER: PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS AND CAMPAIGNS**

### **REFERENCE BOOKS**

America at the Polls: A Handbook of American Presidential Election Statistics  
(R/324.97309/A512)

American Presidential Campaigns and Elections (R/324.973/A512sh)

Congressional Quarterly's Guide to U.S. Elections (R/324.973/C749) Especially under Political Parties; Presidential Elections

Facts on File (R/909.82/F142; R/909.83/F142) 1941-1945, 1962-2007 In the indexes, look under topics such as Presidential Campaign; Politics; Names of Presidential Candidates

Flash Focus: Presidential Elections 1788-2000 (R/320.473/F585)

Presidential Also-Rans and Running Mates, 1788 through 1996 (R/324.973/S728pr)

Running for President (R/324.97309/R943)

Student's Atlas of American Presidential Elections, 1789-1996 (R/324.973/I85st)

The World Almanac 1929; 1959-1960; 1962- (R/317.3/W927) Check in the index under Presidential Elections

The World Almanac of Presidential Campaigns (R/324.973/S555wo)

Note: For general information about national political events (including presidential campaigns and elections) and political issues during the times listed below, check also:

Congress and the Nation 1945-2004 (R/328.73/C749)

CQ Almanac 1967-1968; 1976-2000 (R/328.73/C749al)

### **INTERNET RESOURCES**

During a current campaign, candidates may have sites on the Internet. A reference librarian can help you check for these sites.

Also, check: <http://www.votesmart.org/> during a current presidential campaign for information related to that campaign

Check also in <http://www.ipl.org/> Under: Presidential campaigns; Presidential elections; Names of Candidates

## **OTHER PATHFINDERS**

You may also want to check the pathfinders:

[Electoral College](#)

[Presidents, Vice Presidents, and First Ladies](#)

If there is a pathfinder about the decade when the presidential election occurred, checking the pathfinder for the decade may be helpful. (If you find general books about the decade or about the year the election occurred, they may have useful information. A reference librarian can help you find out if the Niles Library has books about a decade or year.)

## **PERIODICALS**

These periodicals may be especially useful if you need information about presidential elections and campaigns for the following times:

[Chicago Tribune](#) (Microfilm 1974-1999; 2004-; paper copies for current month)

[New York Times](#) (Microfilm 1965-2002; paper copies for current month)

[Newsweek](#) (Microfiche 1953-1999; paper copies for current year)

[Time](#) (Microfilm 1923-1959; Microfiche 1960-1999; paper copies for current year)

## **PERIODICAL INDEX**

[Readers' Guide to Periodical Literature](#) UNDER: Presidential Campaigns; Presidential Candidates; Presidential Debates; Presidential Elections; Names of Presidential Candidates

Note: The [Readers' Guide](#) may be especially useful if you need to find magazine articles published from the late 1970s to 1999, because the Niles Library has a number of periodicals (on microfilm or microfiche) that are indexed in the [Readers' Guide](#) which were published during this time. (However, the Niles Library has a few periodicals that were published even earlier. On microfilm or microfiche, there are issues of [Time](#) from 1923 through 1999, for example. Please check with a reference librarian if you need help in finding out whether the Niles Library has periodicals for a specific time.)

## **FULL TEXT**

In these sources, you may want to search under: the name of a candidate

Or search under terms such as: presidential election; presidential debate; presidential campaign; presidential candidate (You may want to add terms such as the name of a candidate -- for example, presidential election Clinton)

[Chicago Tribune](#)

[Historical Chicago Tribune](#)

[MasterFILE Premier](#) (some full text)

[WilsonSelectPlus](#)

## **BOOKS**

Check the Online Catalog under the following subjects:

Election and the year (for example, Election 1968; Election 2000)

Presidential Campaigns

Presidential Candidates

Presidential Elections

Presidents Election

Names of Candidates

Sometimes, you may also want to check under even more specific topics. For example, if you are studying an election where learning about the Electoral College would be very useful, you may want to look at some books about the Electoral College and could check books listed under Electoral College. As another example, if a presidential convention was controversial, you might want to look under subjects such as Democratic Convention or Republican Convention to see if there are books available about the convention.

You may also want to browse in the following areas: R/324.973; 324.973; 329.023

The Niles Library has a number of general books about presidential elections and campaigns. Here are some examples:

Hail to the Candidate: Presidential Campaigns from Banners to Broadcasts

(324.973/M518ha)

History of American Presidential Elections, 1789-1968 (329.023/S342)

Presidential Elections Since 1789 (324.973/P933)

Tippecanoe and Trinkets Too: the Material Culture of American Presidential Campaigns 1828-1984 (324.973/F535t)

Biographies about presidential candidates may also provide useful information. (Check in the biography section under the last name of the candidate.)

If a book you are interested in is checked out, one of the reference librarians can put it on hold for you.

## **NOTE**

This pathfinder was prepared to assist you in locating materials. If you have any questions or require assistance, please ask a Librarian on duty.

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