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Forest High School Recognized as Winner of High School Voter Registration Challenge

Marion County, FL. May 14 - Marion County Supervisor of Elections Wesley Wilcox was pleased to recognize Forest High School as the winner of the 4th Annual High School Voter Registration Challenge during the May 11 School Board Meeting.

The annual challenge provided by the Supervisor of Elections is aimed at increasing civic participation by registering eligible seniors while educating students about the importance of voting and the elections process. The winning school is determined by the highest number of voter registrations received compared to the number of seniors enrolled at each school.

The 2020-2021 challenge was hosted virtually during March and April, and encompassed each of Marion County's public high schools. Collectively, more than 2,000 seniors were educated on the elections process, and 679 students registered to vote for the first time or updated their existing registration.

"We are grateful for our strong partnership with Marion County schools to strengthen our democracy by empowering students to become engaged citizens and lifelong voters," says Wilcox. "Our Annual High School Voter Registration Challenge has registered and preregistered thousands of students preparing them to vote in future elections."



Marion County Supervisor of Elections Wesley Wilcox, Marion County Elections Outreach Services Starley Ard, Forest High School Social Studies Teacher Steven Hill, and Forest High School Principal Elizabeth Brown pictured with the high school challenge traveling trophy.

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