

# Team Tina Party Packet

## 2018 Midterm Election

Thank you so much for hosting ~

Voting early is easy and safe AND it's a great insurance policy if something comes up on Election Day (a Minnesota blizzard perhaps?). So we're making it fun and easy for you to get a group of friends together to vote from your home. Already voted? Then invite a few friends over to call voters across Minnesota. Enclosed is a printable packet with instructions for early voting, remote phone banking, a few recipes to enjoy and share, and some fun coloring sheets for the kiddos. Invite your friends and family to show their support for Tina Smith and other DFL candidates by casting your ballots early! Make sure to take lots of pictures to share on social media, use #TinaSmithMN, and tag us @TinaSmithMN.

~ and thank you for voting!

# Instructions

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## 1.) Find an early vote location near you...

- Go to <https://www.dfl.org/vote/>.
- Type in your address.
- You'll see a 2018 Minnesota Voter Guide.
- Click find your polling place, choose the day you want to vote, and you'll see your early voting options.

## 2.) If you've already received an absentee ballot...

**Congratulations! You're ready to vote. Make sure you fill out the circle for Tina (as well as the rest of the circles) and follow the instructions on your ballot. To complete your ballot, you will need a witness when you fill the ballot out. The witness can either be a registered Minnesota voter or notary. Once you complete your ballot, mail the ballot back in the return envelope provided in the packet you received – no stamp required!**

## FAQ's

### **Who can vote early in Minnesota?**

Any eligible voter can vote early in Minnesota without an excuse.

### **Are absentee ballots only counted if the election is close?**

No. All accepted ballots are counted regardless of the outcome of the election. Your early ballot is treated the same way as the ballot you cast at the polls. This just makes it easier for you to vote!

### **Why do they need all this information, like my driver's license number and date of birth for my absentee ballot?**

The election officials want to make sure they send the right ballots to the right people. This information will only be used by officials to match your application to your voter registration and to your returned ballot. If you don't fill out the form completely, you probably won't receive a ballot.

### **Can I just return my ballot to my polling place?**

No. If you use your absentee ballot to vote, you must mail it back (postage is already paid) or personally hand deliver it to the county election office.

### 3.) Remote Phone Banking

We've recently launched remote phone banking, a way for people from Minnesota and across the country to support Senator Smith. We need your help contacting voters to get them to the polls! You can sign up [here](#), and an organizer will be in touch with training materials.

**Thank you for signing up to support Senator Smith  
as we fight to keep this Senate seat!**

Make sure to take photos and tag  
**@TinaSmithMN** and  
**#TinaForMN**



# RECIPES

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Team Tina LOVES their treats. A favorite treat at Team Tina headquarters are rice krispie treats homemade by one of our volunteers. So we're sharing a recipe for this team favorite with you, in hopes that you'll share some treats at your Team Tina party.

## Rice Krispies Voter Ballot Box

Source: Claire Nolan, Tasty

Makes 16 servings

### Ingredients

For the bars:

1.5 sticks of unsalted butter

34 oz mini marshmallows

17 oz rice cereal

Nonstick cooking spray

For decorating:

Red sanding sugar

Blue sanding sugar

White fondant

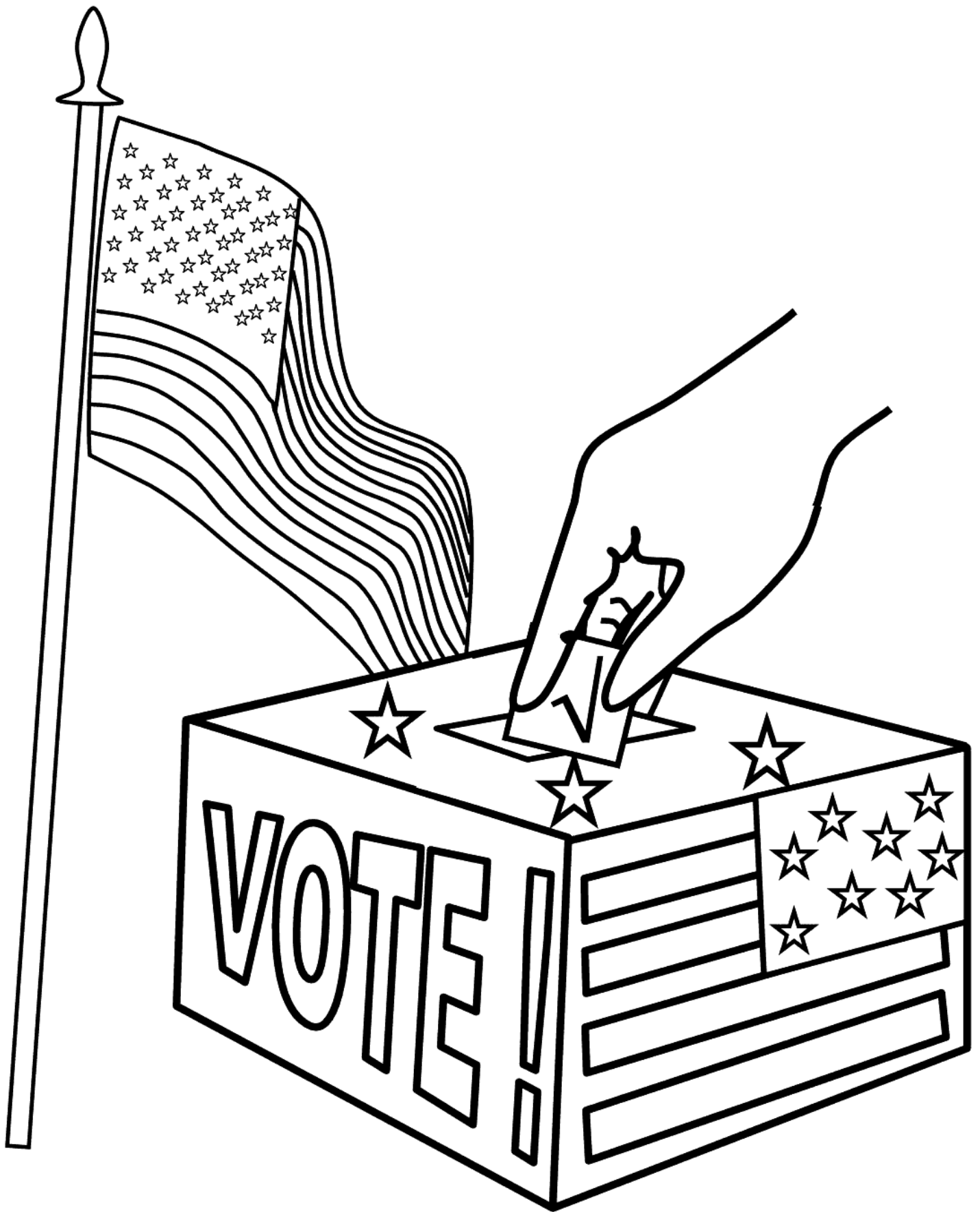
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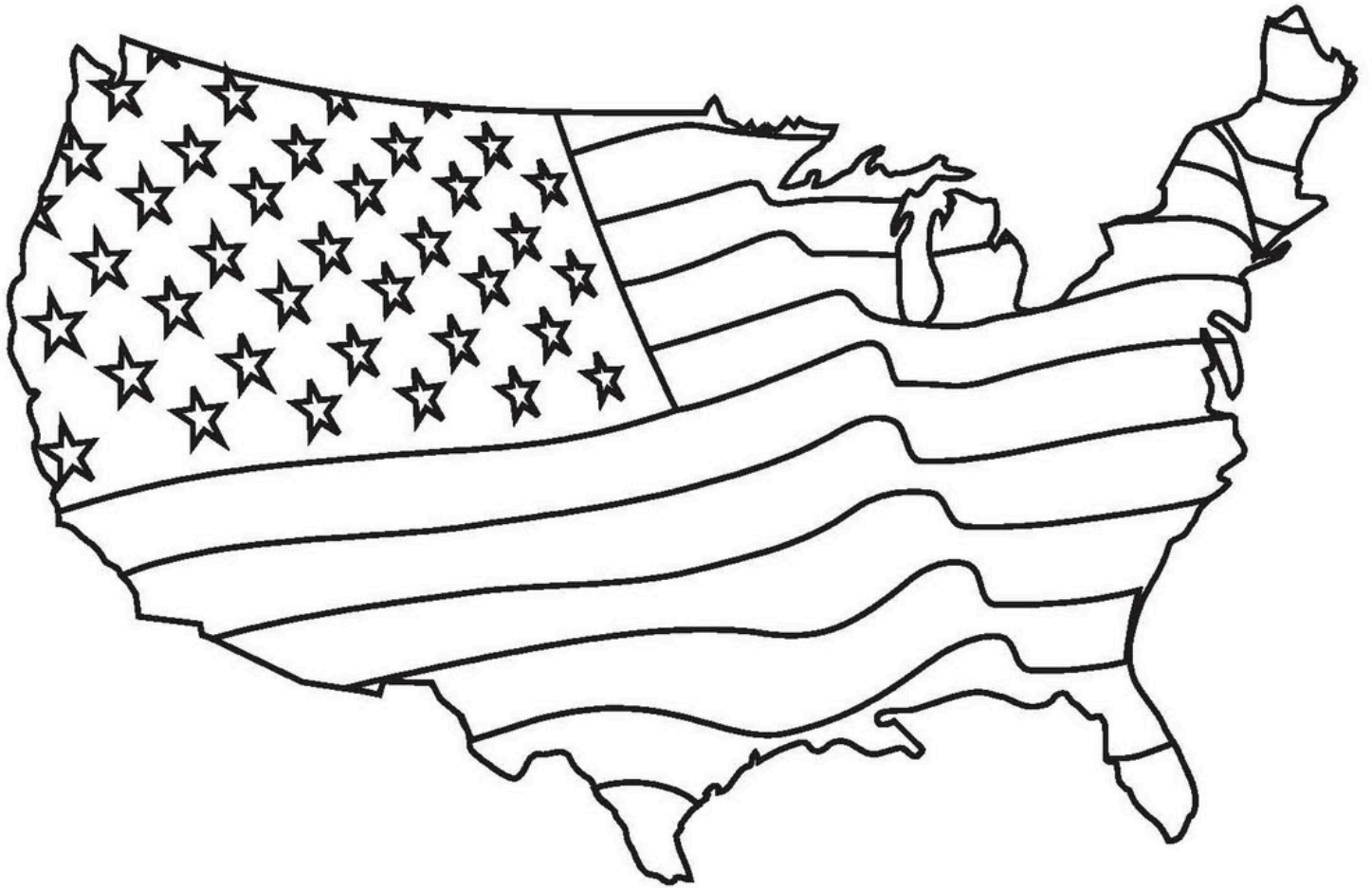
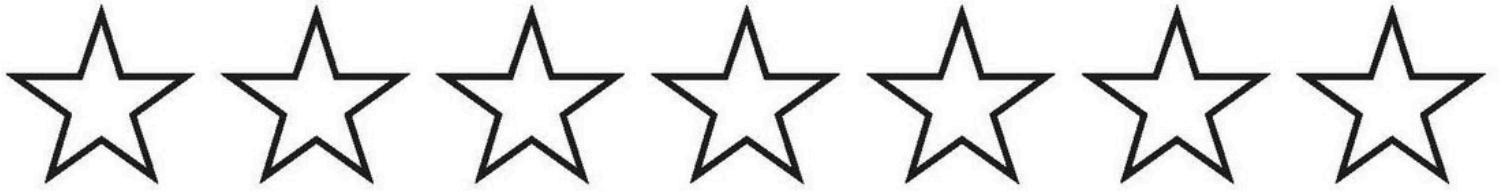
### Directions

1. Over medium heat, melt butter completely in a large pot. Once butter is melted, add marshmallows and stir until the marshmallows have completely melted and the butter is mixed in.
2. Remove the pot from the heat and add the cereal. Stir until combined.
3. Line your baking sheet with parchment paper and then grease with cooking spray.
4. Pour mixture onto pan and spread to the edges of the pan. Gently smooth out the mixture in an even layer. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate to let cool and set - about 30 minutes.
5. Cut bars into bite-sized pieces and decorate with sugar. To take it to the next level, follow this [video](#) to create a ballot box with the bars.









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