PLSC 083

Quiz 5

Your name here: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Which of the following is closest to the number of votes cast in the 2004 Presidential election?

1. 50,000,000
2. 75,000,000
3. 120,000,000
4. 200,000,000

How many people live in the US?

1. 50,000,000
2. 75,000,000
3. 120,000,000
4. 200,000,000
5. 300,000,000

Which of the following is closest to the number of votes that Mayor Bill Welch received in his successful run for Mayor of State College in 2005?

1. 100
2. 1,000
3. 2,500
4. 15,000
5. 25,000

Which of the following is closest to the highest number of votes that any candidate received in running for city council in State College in 2005?

1. 100
2. 1,000
3. 2,500
4. 15,000
5. 25,000

Considering the numbers above, and allowing for the fact that the opposition might mobilize somewhat, how many PSU students would have to vote in order to take over the State College government by being elected to the Mayor’s office and 3 positions on city council? (Note: the same students can vote once for each of those positions.)

1. 1,000
2. 1,500
3. 3,500
4. 15,000
5. 25,000

Don’t put your name on this sheet. It’s not a quiz, more of an anonymous survey before we start reading about the death penalty:

How many homicides are there in the US each year, roughly?

How many death sentences are there in the US each year, roughly?

What percent of all death sentences are overturned on appeal because of flaws in the trial?

How many executions are there in the US each year, roughly?

Can you serve on a death penalty jury if you disagree philosophically with the death penalty?

Name 3 states that are among the most active in the use of the death penalty:

What percentage of all executed people since 1976 have been black?

What percentage of all executions since 1976 have been in the North East?

How many people have been exonerated (e.g., let go because they were innocent) after serving on death row since 1972?