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HONOURING OUR PAST,  
SHAPING OUR TOMORROW

## RUNNING FOR ELECTION:



Online Safety for Indigenous  
Women and 2S+ Candidates



A Quick How-To

# Online Safety for Indigenous Women and 2S+ Candidates



## PROTECT YOUR STORY:

Be mindful about sharing personal info, like where you stay or your contact number.



## STAND OUT:

Have your social media accounts verified. It helps keep impersonators at bay.



## SECRET KEEPERS:

Make your online passwords tricky and use a tool that remembers them for you.



## DOUBLE LOCK:

Add a second step to your account log-ins. It's like having a security guard for your online world.



## CONVERSATIONS:

While it's great to chat, limit who can directly message you to keep unwanted noise away.



# Digital Wisdom



## PROTECT YOUR PEACE:

If someone is being a bother, don't think twice about reporting or blocking them.



## TRUST YOUR INSTINCTS:

Random online links? Give them a miss.



## WATCH THE TALK:

Keep an eye on chatter under your posts. Make sure to keep the narrative respectful.



## STAY FRESH:

Keep your apps updated. The newest versions often come with better safety features.



## SHARE KNOWLEDGE:

Make sure your team is aware of online do's and don'ts.

## LOOKING FOR THIS RESOURCE IN INDIGENOUS LANGUAGES?

## ALSO SEE:

[NWAC's Voter's Guide](#)  
[Elections Canada](#)

# Running for Election: A Quick How-To



## ELIGIBILITY:

You need to be 18 or older, a Canadian citizen, and have good standing.\*



## ENDORSEMENT:

If you wish to run as a member of a political party, reach out early on to hear about their nomination process.



## NOMINATIONS:

To step forward, you need the endorsement of a particular number of supporters from your community or region.



## MONEY MATTERS:

Campaign spending is regulated, so remember to carefully manage your campaign finances. A dedicated bank account is a must.



## SPEAKING UP:

Planning to spend \$500+ on promoting your message? You need to register your intent and put a tagline on any ads.



## TIME TO SHINE:

While federal elections happen every four years, keep an eye out for local, provincial/territorial, and special elections!



**SURROUND YOURSELF WITH PASSIONATE HELPERS. THEY ALWAYS HAVE YOUR BACK.**

\*Visit Elections Canada to learn more about eligibility requirements.

# Insider Tips:



### BEGIN NOW:

Kick things off ahead of time. Early birds often have an edge!



### SPEAK FROM THE HEART:

Decide on your message and stay true to it.



### COMMUNITY FIRST:

Keep the community you wish to represent at the forefront.



### TEAM SPIRIT:

Surround yourself with passionate helpers. They always have your back.



### 'ME' TIME:

Running for election can be draining, so taking care of yourself is a must!



### ONLINE PRESENCE:

Harness the power of online platforms. They're game-changers!

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