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Email electher@runningstart.org
or call 202.407.9977
to bring Elect Her to your
community.



Elect Her is a one-day nonpartisan training for women on how to run for student government & political office.

Background

Less than 1 in 4 elected leaders are women. But when they run, they win at the same rates as men - the problem is that not enough enter the arena. Engaging women early is key to increasing the number of women leading at schools, in communities, and in politics.

Elect Her Participants

Learn campaign strategy & leadership skills, like public speaking & networking.

Meet elected women role models in their community.

Leave with a plan to run for student and / or political office.

Each Workshop is a Partnership

Running Start provides curriculum & materials, training & an expert facilitator. A partner handles their community's logistics, including promotion and a venue and/or virtual access.

**Elect Her is more than a one-day experience.
We build community & provide ongoing support.**

**The energy at an Elect Her workshop is electric.
That feeling doesn't end when the workshop is over.**
Alums of each workshop are invited to Running Start's events and to apply to our other programs.

**We provide alums with ongoing advice & mentorship
and facilitate continued peer-to-peer support.**

Women in politics often struggle to access the powerful contacts and encouragement they need to succeed. So, we established our own hub to fill that gap. In our online communities, young women connect with each other and with high-level mentors across the nation and the world.

450+ Elect Her trainings have been held:
with 168 partners, in 43 US states / territories
& 9 countries for 17,500+ young women.



Running Start is a nonpartisan nonprofit that inspires and trains young women to run for office. Elect Her was developed with AAUW, the American Association of University Women. Learn more about Running Start and Elect Her at runningstart.org.