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Selected Civics for Adults Facebook posts:

One of the most important articles about our information environment. I hope media outlets are paying heed to this! **Continuing problems with political coverage ...**

"We found that the *Times* and the *Post* shared significant overlap in their domestic politics coverage, offering little insight into policy. Both emphasized the horse race and campaign palace intrigue, stories that functioned more to entertain readers than to educate them on essential differences between political parties."

"Warped Front Pages"

https://www.cjr.org/analysis/election-politics-front-pages.php?fbclid=IwAR08MkGcY3yWEcJoTjfvUV6e4BWuDHwgTxUkG0LFH1pZV_tVOq_UrnOZLoBs

Related article...

This is an excellent, pithy, article that focuses on something I now include in my Misinformation workshop: **"Horse race" coverage of elections does not give the public what it needs.** Kudos to this editor! "Low-value election coverage clings to the question of who's going to win."

It also mentions the person who has most made this philosophy his focus – Professor Jay Rosen. You can follow him on X.

"We're demoting horse race election coverage. Here's why."

https://coloradonewsline.com/2023/10/12/were-demoting-horse-race-election-coverage-heres-why/?fbclid=IwAR1-8UbF0F3YRVvp3GELBZdtO1Up_rQ4B5nCKLUa79-SCToandni-67W1o

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As you may have heard a **Colorado judge ruled** not to bar former president Trump from the 2024 ballot. However, she did determine "Trump engaged in an insurrection on January 6, 2021 through incitement, and that the First Amendment does not protect Trump's speech."

An **interesting discussion of the opinion, from leading conservative and liberal experts** - Judge Luttig and Prof. Lawrence Tribe - was posted to X [Twitter] by Judge Luttig.

This situation will almost certainly be appealed, perhaps as far as the Supreme Court.

<https://www.msnbc.com/ali-velshi/watch/-simply-incorrect-judge-luttig-and-laurence-tribe-react-to-colorado-judge-s-decision-to-reject-trump-14th-amendment-challenge-198217285610?fbclid=IwAR0-Yw1IYs2O5O5NzCQA79G5BPpa45eaiWFyBst2GyMh4faHeWaEHX3Z3QVk>

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The New Speaker of the House released **all of the videos** [with security footage extracted] **from January 6, 2021:**

https://cha.house.gov/cha-subcommittee-reading-room-fe781e74-d577-4f64-93cc-fc3a8dd8df18?fbclid=IwAR15cz_owhZTc-87UEP6Pthmx5qMimjDrUI80uvAXC04qIh6sEiqK8zK2pM

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America Reframed: No Time to Fail

Election 2020 in Rhode Island, with focus on the work of election officials!

This was a wonderful show and I would highly recommend that every high school Social Studies class in the country show this documentary. As we found out after 2020, a lack of understanding about how elections work - combined with propaganda that gears people to see things a certain way - created a horrible situation for election workers [and all of us]. The harassment they experienced resulted in many good people leaving. We can only hope that those who take their places will be as

committed, as professional, and as nonpartisan as those who left. Please support your local election workers!

<https://www.pbs.org/video/no-time-to-fail-wmdnou/>

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The Brennan Center for Justice routinely tracks state legislation that impacts voting access and electoral processes.

"There remains a stark divide between states. On one side are those that are broadening democratic participation. On the other are those making it harder to vote and easier for partisan officials to interfere in democratic processes." E.g., North Carolina has banned the use of drop boxes.

Voting Laws Roundup, October 2023.

https://www.brennancenter.org/our-work/research-reports/voting-laws-roundup-october-2023?fbclid=IwAR08MkGcY3yWEcJoTjfUV6e4BWuDHwgTxUkG0LFH1pZV_tVOq_UrnOZLoBs

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