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In partnership with the Graduate School and Graduate School Assembly, we will be hosting the **7th Annual Little Hokie Hand Me Down** on **November 11th and 12th** in *Graduate Life Center Multi-Purpose Room*. This program is designed to benefit Virginia Tech graduate students and families. We will be collecting unused/gently used children's items for parents and children ages 0 to 10.

We will be accepting donations starting October 12th until November 6th. The following items can be dropped off on the VT Women's Center porch.

- **Toys (including music and DVDs,) books**
- **Gently used clothing (baby and maternity)**
- **Formula (that is not expired)**
- **Medical supplies (breast pumps, lactation devices)**
- **Strollers, unexpired car seats, school supplies**
- **Bedding (for cribs and moms!)**
- **Bathing and grooming supplies (bathers, unopened/unused creams,**

lotions, powders)

- Feeding supplies (bibs, baby bottles, food warmers)
- Baby gear (activity gyms, bassinets, play mats, baby carriers, swings)
- Diapers

In order to maintain the safety of those handling the items, we ask that any donations be completely boxed or contained in plastic bags.

For more information, contact [Jessie Meltsner](#).

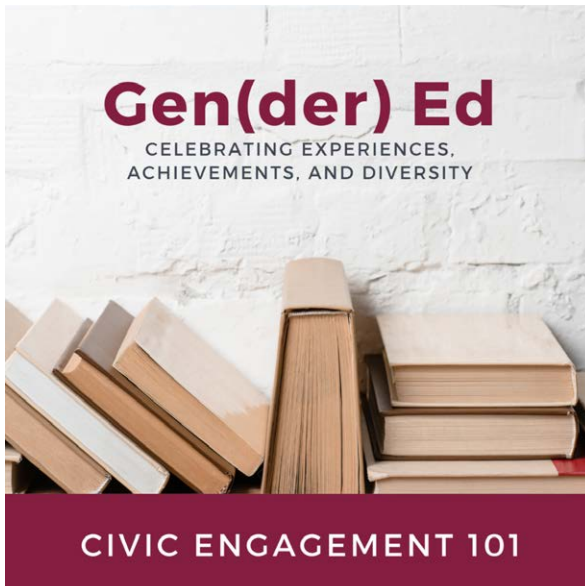
Juggling Work and Children During Covid-19

The next caregiver check-in will take place on **October 9th at 12pm**.

These check-ins are an opportunity for VT employees who are caregivers of children, teens, aging parents and/or family members to connect with one another around managing the demands of working and caregiving during these times of COVID-19 disruption.

These are intended to be open discussions to share current information and resources, as well as to support one another. Join the discussion [here](#).

Caregiver Support



National Voter Education Week

For National Voter Education week, check out our most recent podcast episode [Civic Engagement 101](#).

In this episode, we explore a variety of civic engagement components. Dr. Caitlin Jewitt, an Assistant Professor of Political Science, offers insight into the electoral process as well as ways in which voter suppression occurs. We are also joined by Jes Davis from VT Engage, who shares the importance of the student voice and how voters can cast their ballot this fall.

Listen [here](#).

Upcoming Events

National Voter Education Week

Join [VT Engage: The Center for Leadership and Civic Engagement](#) as we celebrate National Voter Education Week October 5-9. There are a host of events to engage conversations with one another about the upcoming elections. For questions or accommodations request contact, Jes Davis, Assistant Director at jesdavis@vt.edu or 540-231-6947

 <p>All In: The Fight for Democracy Documentary & Discussion</p> <p>Monday, Oct. 5 at 2p</p> <p>Join us for a watch party for the ALL IN: The Fight for Democracy documentary. Afterwards we'll host a discussion about the documentary and learn about different ways we can help end voter suppression.</p> <p>Register http://bit.ly/vewallin</p>	 <p>What's on the Ballot: Gerrymandering and Redistricting in Virginia</p> <p>Tuesday, Oct. 6 at 7p</p> <p>Join the discussion with Dr. Nicholas Goedert, Virginia Tech Political Science Department and Brian Cannon, Fair Maps Virginia as we explore the topic of ballot referendums and gerrymandering in the US.</p> <p>This event is co-hosted by the Program in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics at Virginia Tech</p> <p>Register http://bit.ly/VFWGerrymandering</p>	 <p>Vice Presidential Debate Watch Party</p> <p>Wednesday, Oct. 7 at 9p</p> <p>The Vice Presidential debate watch party will be a way for students who want to engage in the debates with one another in a fun and non-partisan way. In addition to watching the debate, we'll also debrief the event together.</p> <p>Register http://bit.ly/HokiesVoteDebates</p>	 <p>Elections in the Trump Era</p> <p>Thursday, Oct. 8 at 7p</p> <p>At a time when American elections have become increasingly nationalized and highly predictable, nationally recognized political analyst Rachel Bitecofer will present her research that analyzes how partisanship serving as an identity-based, dominant vote determinant for all but a small portion of Americans.</p> <p>Community Forum organized by the League of Women Voters of Montgomery County.</p> <p>Register https://bit.ly/LWV MCFallForum</p>	 <p>Fact Check Your Vote</p> <p>Friday, Oct. 9 at 1p</p> <p>Are you ready for election day? In this workshop, we'll help you navigate political news, know your ballot, and fact-check claims so that you can be informed and prepared to cast your vote.</p> <p>This event is hosted by the University Libraries</p> <p>Register https://calendar.lib.vt.edu/event/7132390</p>
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LGBTQ+ HISTORY MONTH

OCTOBER 1ST
**REPRESENTATION MATTERS?:
POLITICS AT THE INTERSECTION
OF BLACKNESS & QUEERNESS
W/ HARI ZIYAD**



6-7:30PM EST - REGISTER TO ATTEND

Co-sponsored by: Black Cultural Center & LGBTQ+ Resource Center

OCTOBER 5TH
**DEE REES' PARIAH (2011) FILM
DISCUSSION W/ UJIMA**
5PM EST - OPEN TO UJIMA STUDENTS ONLY

Co-sponsored by: Ujima & LGBTQ+ Resource Center

OCTOBER 7TH
**PATHOLOGICAL PERCEPTIONS:
WHERE SOCIETY WENT WRONG
WITH THE QUEER COMMUNITY
W/ DR. JESS WESTCOTT**



6-7:30PM EST - REGISTER TO ATTEND

Co-sponsored by: Cook Counseling Center & LGBTQ+ Resource Center

OCTOBER 13TH
**QUEER INDIGENOUS AND
TWO-SPIRIT PEOPLES: WE COME
OUT OF THE CUPBOARD, NOT THE
CLOSET W/ DR. CHRIS FINLEY**



6-7:30PM EST - REGISTER TO ATTEND

Co-sponsored by: American Indian and Indigenous Community Center & LGBTQ+ Resource Center

OCTOBER 15TH
**DIGGING IN THE CRATES VOL 20
GENDER & HIP HOP FT.
DR. SHANTE PARADIGM SMALLS**



7-9PM EST - HOSTED VIA ZOOM

Co-sponsored by: University Libraries, Black Cultural Center & LGBTQ+ Resource Center

*Know from whence you came. If you know
whence you came, there are absolutely
no limitations to where you can go.*

-James Baldwin

American novelist, playwright, essayist, poet, & activist

OCTOBER 19TH
**LGBTQ+ RESOURCE CENTER
AWARENESS DAY**



10AM-4PM EST - SQUIRES 227

Sign up to tie-dye a Resource Center shirt. For this event, participants will have to wear a mask and gloves while remaining at least 6 feet from all others.

OCTOBER 21ST
**BECOMING A RADICAL
GARDENER: BUILDING QUEER
ROOTS & RESILIENCE THROUGH
CHICANX AND INDIGENOUS
HISTORIES W/ ROB NELSON**



6-7:30PM EST

REGISTER TO ATTEND

Co-sponsored by:
American Indian and Indigenous
Community Center, El Centro,
& LGBTQ+ Resource Center

OCTOBER 28TH
**THE LGBTQ+ RESOURCE
CENTER PRESENTS:
QUEER JEOPARDY
HOSTED BY
GERLYN MURRELL**



6-7:30PM EST

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OCTOBER 29TH
**Q* NNECTION LUNCH & LEARN:
INTERNATIONAL GAY RIGHTS
W/ DEAN LAURA BELMONTE**



12-1PM EST - REGISTER TO ATTEND

Co-sponsored by: College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences & LGBTQ+ Resource Center



MEET RACHEL.

RA

Rachel Bueter | Junior
Major in Mechanical Engineering
2nd year RA in West Ambler Johnston

"I have a passion for helping people and I saw that the RA position was a great way to have a positive impact on many people, especially those who are struggling. College can be a very difficult time particularly freshman year and I wanted to use my experience and knowledge to help them."



[HOUSING.VT.EDU/RA](https://housing.vt.edu/ra)

#WhyRA

Apply to be a Resident Advisor, House Supervisor, or Isolation Assistant!
Applications can be found on the StarRez portal and are due at **11:59pm on October 22 2020**. Questions should be directed to VTRA@vt.edu

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