

2012 ELECTION E-MONITOR

The Foreign Press Center is pleased to share with you the 2012 Election E-Monitor - this resource will keep you informed of new reports, studies and major articles on the upcoming November 6, 2012 elections. The FPC is providing this resource in order to assist you in covering the elections, and the inclusion of any material does not imply endorsement, approval or recommendation.

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Foreign Press Center at Political Conventions

The Foreign Press Center (FPC) will have working spaces for the foreign media at both the Republican Convention in Tampa, Florida and the Democratic Convention in Charlotte, NC. The spaces will have tables and chairs to accommodate 80 journalists; also, we will provide Internet access and information/research services.

In order to facilitate your coverage of the conventions, the FPC will hold briefings by party officials, delegates, American journalists, pollsters, and political analysts who will provide background and analysis of convention events. The Office of Broadcast Services (OBS) will work alongside the FPC to support visiting broadcasters and will have an Audio/Video Mult Box and Mini DVs upon request.

PLEASE NOTE: To receive media advisories of all FPC-related events and information at the conventions, you must register for the <u>Elections 2012 Foreign Press Center Email Service</u>.

Foreign Press Center Briefing on <u>"How To Cover Political Conventions."</u>

Latest News and Analysis

- Analysts Discuss Romney's Trip Abroad - Council on Foreign Relations

- Do Presidential Campaigns Matter? Evidence from the 2008 Election – University of Virginia, Center for Politics

- John McCain Gives Mitt Romney Advice on Vice Presidential Pick Huffington Post
- Mitt Romney's Inner Circle: Who Are These Guys? Washington Post
- The New Rules of Campaign Finance: Small Dollars Are No Longer King Time
- Obama, Mitt Romney Campaigns Mount New Push on Economic Themes Huffington Post
- The Struggle to Win the Undecided Vote Newsday
- Syria Update: The Candidates' Slim Policy Differences Council on Foreign Relations

- <u>Tea Party Senate Victory Rebuffs GOP Establishment, Highlights Voter Frustration –</u> <u>Washington Post</u>

- <u>Tight National Race Freezes Electoral College Map – University of Virginia, Center for</u> <u>Politics</u>

- Virginia Garners Attention As New Battleground State - NPR

- Virginia's Virgil Goode: Could This Man Cost Mitt Romney the Presidency? - Time

Congressional Races

- Analyzing Cruz's Texas Victory and the 2012 Senate Landscape PBS
- Boehner on Election: 'Democrats Are Scare' ABC News
- Democratic Super PAC Reserves Air Time in House Races Washington Post
- Four Things to Watch in the 2012 Senate Races CBS News
- La Tourette Is Latest Moderate to Plan Congressional Exit Bloomberg Businessweek
- Partisanship, Principle Color Massachusetts Senate Race Time
- Texas' Biggest Loser in GOP Senate Race? For Rick Perry, The (Tea) Party's Over NPR
- Top DSCC Strategist Says Senate Control Up for Grabs The Hill

Gubernatorial Races

 iShapePolicy Extends Voting Tool to Include Gubernatorial Election – Equities.com
7 Other Candidates in Race for Governor: If You Had Thought Democrat Jay Inslee and Republican Rob McKenna Were the Only Candidates in Washington State's Governor's Race, You'd Be Wrong – Seattle Times

Latest Polls

- Little Public Awareness of Outside Campaign Spending Boom – Pew Research Center

- New Polls in Three Battleground States Show Obama Edge New York Times
- Obama Extends Electoral College Advantage FiveThirtyEight Blog New York Times
- Romney's Personal Image Remains Negative Pew Research Center
- Thirteen States and D.C. Give Obama Majority Approval Gallup

NOTE:

- For additional information on the upcoming elections and FPC programs, go to the FPC 2012 Elections website at: <u>http://fpc.state.gov/c45800.htm</u>

- To subscribe to the FPC "2012 Election Email Service, go to: <u>http://fpc.state.gov/c46158.htm</u> - this subscription service will you keep you abreast of all information about the latest election-related events and resources

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