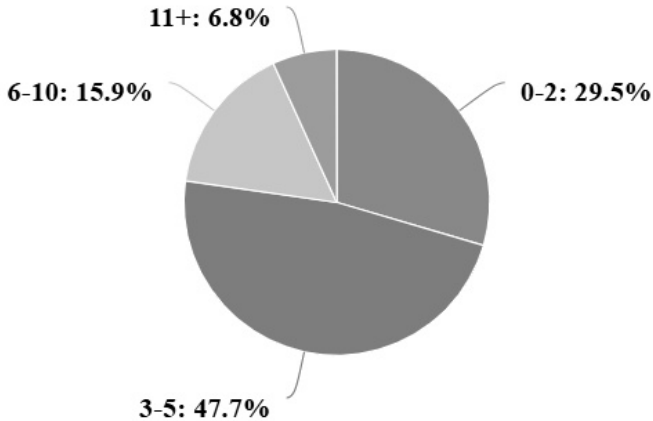


How many times did you vote this election?

Sample Size: 500 students



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Texas Instruments Threats, and Bombs, Rapidly Defused

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Texas Instruments Incorporated. Beloved creator of worldwide-use calculators, fine electrical equipment, and high explosives.

In this week that will forever go down in history, TI merged its fields of expertise into one product to blow them all away: The TI-C4s, a new line of explosive-rigged calculators. And CMU – the unique, insane school it is – has turned their plot completely on its head.

Texas Instruments professed just one reason for their calculators to completely stop their modification. TI calculators have long had a dedicated, passionate fanbase of programmers and hackers, modding and sharing detailed games and elaborate projects the world over. And TI hates them. Despises them. In a recent press release, representatives of the corporation — bombarded with incensed outcries and comparisons to the Desmos software's community scene — said a total of eleven words before having to leave the room to calm down. On the personal and corporate level, TI wants its hackers gone..

We should have seen TI's more drastic measures coming a long, long time ago. True fans of the company recognize, or even remember if particularly lucky, their work on the elaborate BOLT-117 laser-guided missile. Widely regarded as a gorgeous piece of engineering, TI opened the industry of building hyper-capable electronics into massive dumb bombs. If only they had a modern product of hyper-capable electronics to stuff with dumb bombs.

Under this proud banner was the TI-C4 released. Identical to a TI-84 Plus CE – if one ignores its seven-segment countdown panel and several extra pounds – it has become TI's new flagship product overnight. Nothing better represents their modern poison-dart-frog-esque sentiment: if you don't mess with the calculator in any capacity,

the calculator will not disassemble your anatomy to any degree.

CMU students have taken up the challenge. We've reached out to a newborn student organization at CMU – lovingly named We Don't Blow **** Up Committee — to see what CMU is doing about the latest threat to students having a good time. Founded last Tuesday by two CMU Esports Platinum CS:GO players who earned "Most Enthusiastic Counter-Terrorist" several years running, WDB*UC has burgeoned overnight into a training camp for amateur bomb defusal specialists. They've bulk ordered hundreds of TI-C4s, enduring countless cease-and-desists from the mailing room, to fund their operation; and shared why they turned their passions towards these new products.

"Well, firstly, spite," said one. "Good and pure rage. Everyone's now got a bone to pick with TI over them being little cowards. Surely one of them is a cybersecurity guy, and we can share if not."

"And on a more serious note," answered the other, "they're a perfect dual playing ground. You can work from afar, breaking in through software and trying not to trigger the automatic anti-modification detectors, or you can go in by hand and work on the electronics up close. We've never been able to get this many CS and ECE students in a room without critical mass burning down the school. Things are looking good for us."

The WDB*UC is indeed seeing wide, wide success. It's attracted CMU's elusive drama and creative writing students as rapt spectators to the tense defusing rooms. It's provided free bombless calculators to two high schools in the Pittsburgh area, and free calculatorless bombs to other unnamed grateful parties. And it's witnessed yet another TI executive tragically pass away from a stress aneurysm — whether simple coincidence, or a successful push against injustice, I'm not at license to say.

Following surprise come- from behind campaign, George Michael announced as U.S. President Elect



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In a landslide victory, George Michael has successfully secured his victory in the 2024 Presidential Election. This marks the first time a third-party candidate has ever won a presidential election in United States History. Michael is also the first animal to reach the position of Commander in Chief since Garfield's election in 1880. Michael's triumph over his human opponents signals a radical shift in the US political landscape; with a record-breaking 1,674% voter turnout yesterday, it's clear that the American public is tired of the contemporary political landscape they find themselves in. Below, ReadME has outlined three major policies Michael campaigned on in the weeks before the election:

Free Treats for All: Michael has promised every US citizen over the age of 18 a stimulus package of 10 MilkBones, with families receiving an additional 5 treats per child. Campaign officials have stated that this will boost morale in an ever-doomerist American public. Additionally, Michael has promised that this package will be the first in a step of economic actions taken to revitalize the US economy.

Invisible Border Fence: Michael has promised to partner with Invisible Fence to build an electric border wall

between the United States and Mexico. Officials state that this would both prevent illegal immigration while ensuring that US citizens living nearby wouldn't have to reflect on what such exclusionary policies mean for their own senses of morality. Though this new border fence would require forcibly fitting every Mexican citizen with electric collars, Michael argues that he has found a solution that benefits all parties involved: instead of Mexico, Sweden would be forced to pay all related costs.

PAW Patrol: Upon taking office, Michael has made it clear that one of his first actions as president will be to institute the Patriot Assurance Wardens (PAW) Patrol. This special police force would monitor un-American activity in the US and suppress any activities that could possibly threaten the legitimacy of the President. Though Michael has not clarified what such "un-American" activities would look like, insider information given to ReadME hints that the PAW Patrol would mostly target excessive vacuum use, wrongful bathtime, and questioning a dog's capability to be president.

George Michael's new term will certainly change the future of politics in America, and other non-human have already begun to campaign for office. As Michael often asserts, "Ain't no rules says a dog can't be president".

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18-100 to introduce larger toolkits

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ECE freshman carrying black and yellow tool kits is an ever-popular sight on Carnegie Mellon's campus. Originally introduced to publicly shame people for choosing ECE as a major, the tool kits cemented their place when the head TAs for 18-100 realized they could store lab materials within the tool kits. However, in recent years the tool kits have not been sufficient. Complaints of the hefty weight of the toolkits have

come from freshmen already burdened from carrying their 6-pound 17-inch gaming laptop to and from class. Recent complaints have also included that the tool kit is too small to store the ever-expanding egos of ECE students. Starting spring 2025 each freshman in 18-100 will receive a rolling toolbox. This should keep the strain off the shoulders, and the drawers offer a plethora of storage options for even more labs. The course will now be able to feature a 10th lab, where students are asked to create a 1:1 replica MacBook Air.

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