

Ranked-choice voting is counted in rounds – Text Alternative

Speaker 1: Sophia and her friends used ranked-choice voting to decide how to get to Parktacular. Ranked-choice races are counted in rounds. In round number one, all of the first choice votes are counted. If a candidate gets more than 50% of the first choice votes, that candidate is the winner.

A bus, a car, a bike and a segway line up at the starting point of a round race course. They take off together and return to the start in a staggered manner.

Speaker 1: Out of twenty total votes here, the candidates need eleven votes to win. No option one in round number one. segway received the fewest votes and is eliminated. Votes for Segway are transferred to each friends' next highest choice - bus. Totals are then recalculated.

The bus, car and bike take off from the starting line for another lap.

Speaker 1: There is still no winner so counting continues. We eliminate car because it has the fewest remaining votes. All votes for car are transferred to the next highest choice on that ballot, that's three votes per bus and two votes for bike.

This time, only the bus and bike race another lap.

Speaker 1: Bus now has 11 votes and is the winner. Sophia and friends will take the bus to Parktacular.

Have questions about ranked choice voting?

Go to www.stlouisparkmn.gov/vote for more information.