



## **National Youth and Student Peace Coalition**

### **Walk Out to Get Out!**

On November 7th, which is the day of the mid-term elections, young people across this country will Walk Out to Get Out of Iraq! The month of prior education, organizing, and mobilizing will culminate on what will be a powerful display of the youth and student movement for peace and justice! We are calling for young people to walk out of their schools, their campuses, and their jobs, not only to go out and vote and to help others vote, but also to show the people in power that the youth and students of this country will not stand aside while they prioritize war and profit over our needs!

Walking out is not the only way to participate in this day of action, there are many ways to demonstrate your opposition to the war!

#### ***Step One: Let Us Know!***

Be sure to go to [www.nyspc.org](http://www.nyspc.org) and let us know if you are going to Walk Out! We would love to know how many people are joining this historic day of resistance! Be sure to sign the Books Not Bombs Pledge!

#### ***Step Two: Organize a Group***

Be sure to get as many people as you can to participate with you. Remember, this is a day for solidarity and for collective action. Ask your family, friends, co-workers, and classmates to join in on this day of resistance! Remember, not everyone (or anyone) has to walk out, there are other options for everyone to get involved who wants to (see Step Three).

#### ***Step Three: What to Do***

- ☆ Discuss who wants to walk out of school/class/work, and who wants to commit to doing something different. Since we want as many people to get involved with this day – we are asking everyone who wants and is willing to Walk Out to do so with the understanding that there are consequences to this action – there are also other ways to make your voice heard and your opposition felt.
- ☆ You don't have to be able to vote in order to participate: the war affects those who can't vote (under 18, non-citizens, etc.) as equally as those who can vote and on election day we'll be letting Congress know loud and clear that youth demand Books NOT Bombs! Voting is a responsibility and a privilege, but if you can vote it is only a part of the action you need to take on November 7<sup>th</sup>.

From there you need to decide what activities you want to organize that will include as many people as you can (for people who want to walk out, for people who don't, for people who can vote, and for people who cannot).

Some options for November 7th:

- Walk out of your school/class/job and go and vote, and get others to vote (pass out flyers on campus with polling place and local candidate info, drive people to the polls, be a poll watcher, etc.). Make sure to do your homework and see which candidates' supports Books and Not Bombs! (See [www.nypsc.org](http://www.nypsc.org)). If you can't vote, you can still participate and help get others to vote!
- Wear a T-shirt to school/class/work that shows your opposition to the war, make armbands to pass out at school (as simple as plain strips of cloth (ex. blue for peace, black for mourning/resistance) or stencil peace symbols, your group name, etc.).
- Walk out of your classes, your schools, or your job and organize a rally. If you don't feel comfortable with walking out, organize a rally before/after school or after you get out of work (or during your lunch break). Be creative!

Remember, this is a day in which students and young people are choosing to stand up, make their voices heard to not only candidates, but also to the world. We want people to see and feel youth opposition to the war and raise the issues of war and militarism of our schools and world on this crucial election day.

**We are fed up with our countries priorities.  
We are walking out so we can get out of  
Iraq!!**

**We want Books Not Bombs!!**