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Midterms a Dress Rehearsal for Dems With 2020 Presidential Aspirations

Fresh off their embarrassing display during the Brett Kavanaugh confirmation hearings, some key Democrats with presidential hopes are hitting the road in order to shill for their favorite congressional candidates ahead of the midterms. Among those looking to assist Democrats in tight races around the nation are California's Kamala Harris, New Jersey's Corey Booker, and former Vice President Joe Biden.



Many feel that campaigning in the midterms in some targeted tight races is an audition of sorts, gauging how candidates will handle themselves on the national stage.

"Campaigning vigorously in the midterms for candidates means you can test your appeal to enthusiastic voters in states and districts that may be hard to get to during the course of a presidential race," said Democrat strategist Basil Smikle. "You also hope that the candidates you're supporting — win or lose — may return the favor."

Smikle added, "It also helps expand fundraising terrain."

Harris, considered by many to be the frontrunner in 2020, will be all over the country in coming weeks. The junior senator from California, whose obnoxious antics during the Kavanaugh hearings are still fresh in the mind of Americans, will be in Ohio on behalf of Richard Cordray in the governor's race and Senator Sherrod Brown.

"This is an inflection moment in the history of our country," Harris told attendees of the Ohio Democratic Party Dinner on Sunday. "I think it is a moment in time requiring all of us collectively to look in the mirror and ask the question, and that question is, 'Who are we?' And part of the answer, Ohio, is we are better than this."

Senator Harris would go on to say, "Here's the deal. Elections matter, guys. [Note: by saying 'guys' Harris excluded her own gender] Elections matter, because who's in power will make the decision as to how they will use that power."

Harris is reportedly in great demand by Democrats running in this year's midterms. She is also scheduled to be in Arizona to assist Kyrsten Sinema (D) in her bid to take retiring RINO Jeff Flake's seat. Harris will also be in Wisconsin to campaign for Tammy Baldwin (D) in her reelection campaign.

Corey Booker ([aka Spartacus](#)), possibly the only Democrat more insufferable than Harris during the Kavanaugh hearings, also went on the road, turning up in Des Moines, Iowa, on Saturday to speak at a fundraising rally for the state's Democrat Party.

"This is not a time to curl up. It is not a time to shut up. It is not a time to give up. It is a time to get up, to rise up, to speak up," Booker told the ravenous crowd. "It is time for you not to wait for hope, but to be the hope."



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With nothing better to do, former VP Joe Biden has been on the stump for more than a year now with his American Promise Tour, which began last summer in support of his memoir, *Promise Me, Dad*. The 77-year-old Biden has been a vocal critic of President Trump, even suggesting that, were he younger, he would “take him behind the gym,” referencing that he would like to physically assault the president.

Many consider Biden, with his verbal incontinence and combative demeanor, the Democrat version of Trump. Biden appeals to a segment of Democrats who wish to “fight fire with fire.” And Biden certainly doesn’t need to prove his national campaigning ability.

Several other potential candidates are making the rounds as well. Representative John Delany (D-Md.), who has already announced his candidacy, has spent a great deal of time in Iowa and will be heading to Texas to speak at campaign events; former Governor Deval Patrick (D-Mass.) is heading to New Jersey to campaign; Senator Kirsten Gillibrand (D-N.Y.) will be in Georgia to stump for gubernatorial candidate Stacey Adams. Former attorney general and [gun runner](#) Eric Holder, who has claimed that he could “[unify the country](#)” by defeating Trump, is campaigning for Democrats in North Carolina.

And not to be forgotten, fake Native-American Elizabeth Warren, [who stated earlier this year that she wasn’t running in 2020](#), is also hinting that she may throw her headdress into the ring as well. She is also heading to [Georgia](#) to stump for Stacey Adams.

All of this is a reminder that election season never truly ends. The Kavanaugh hearings, with their histrionics and virtue-signaling drama, were an opportunity for Democrats to get their faces on television and cater to the base of their party. Unfortunately, we can look forward to another 25 months of this dog-and-pony show.

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