



MONTEREY COUNTY ELECTIONS Student Election Officer Program

What is the Student Election Officer Program?

Legislation in California allows eligible students to serve as Election Officers. Participating students will serve in the operation of a poll site on Election Day or inspect Vote-by-Mail Ballots on one of two Saturdays prior to the election*. Eligible students will be nominated by a teacher, at least 16 years of age at the time of the election, with at least a 2.5 GPA, and a United States Citizen.

Educators:

- ✓ Inform your students of this unique opportunity to be involved with their government.
- ✓ Nominate qualified eligible students to serve as Election Officers.
- ✓ Follow up with your students about their Election Day experience.

Students:

- ✓ Participate in a 2.5 hour Election Officer Training Class before the election.
- ✓ Be a member of a 3 or 4 person Board and participate in the operation of a polling place on Election Day.

Note: Election Day can be a long one, 6:00 a.m. – 9:30 p.m., but it is a great experience!

Ballot Inspectors will serve on one of two Saturdays prior to the election extracting and inspecting vote by mail ballots. Same-day training is provided.

Benefits:

- ✓ This opportunity will give students a "hands-on" experience, learning how local elections work.
- ✓ Students will receive training on how to open a polling place, process voters, and close the polls.
- ✓ It will inspire students to register and to vote when they turn 18.
- ✓ Students gain a lifelong appreciation for the democratic process.
- ✓ Students play an active and important role in their community.
- ✓ Students may choose to receive community service credit or a stipend of \$110, in addition to a \$25 stipend for attending training.



To nominate a student please use the Student Election Officer Application
Or call 796-1499 for more information.

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* Depending on need, students may serve both Saturdays prior to E-Day.



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APPLICATION TO SERVE AS A STUDENT ELECTION OFFICER

NAME: _____ Birth Date: _____

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Age: _____ Class Standing(select one): Sophomore Junior Senior

RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

NUMBER & STREET CITY STATE ZIP CODE

MAILING ADDRESS (If different)

NUMBER & STREET CITY STATE ZIP CODE

TELEPHONE

Daytime: _____ Evening: _____ Cell: _____

EMAIL: _____

In applying to the program, I affirm that I meet all of the following requirements (check all that apply):

- High School Student with a minimum 2.5 GPA
- At least 16 years of age at the time of the election
- If 18 years of age by the next election, a registered voter
- United States Citizen
- Read, write, and speak English
- Provide a copy of your Social Security Card

Have you ever applied to serve as an Election Officer or Ballot Inspector in Monterey County?	___YES ___NO
Are you willing to work in a precinct other than the one in which you live: If "YES" how far are you willing to travel? _____miles	___YES ___NO
Do you have transportation to get to your place of assignment?	___YES ___NO
Are you fluent in a language other than English?	___YES ___NO
Other language(s): _____	
My primary motivation for wanting to work as an Election Officer or Ballot Inspector is:	

I am interested in the **ELECTION OFFICER PROGRAM** and understand that I must commit to work the entire Election Day from 6:00 a.m. until all duties are complete at approximately 9:30 p.m. Additionally, I understand I must participate in a 2.5 hour required training class. I do have transportation to and from the class and the assigned polling place. I shall earn \$25 for attending class and may earn \$110 OR community service credit for volunteering at a polling place. Furthermore, I understand it is my responsibility to notify all of my teachers of the date and times I will serve as an Election Officer.

By initialing, my parent/guardian and I agree that we have been informed of the responsibilities inherent in the Election Officer Program as described above and authorize that I am able to perform said duties.

STUDENT INITIALS: _____ PARENT/GUARDIAN INITIALS: _____

I am interested in the **BALLOT INSPECTOR** position. I understand that this position is assigned to the Monterey County Elections Office located at 1370 B South Main St. in Salinas. I may serve on one or both of the two Saturdays before the scheduled election date. I shall serve a minimum of five hours but may serve longer if I choose. As a ballot inspector I shall earn community service credit (this is not a paid position).

By initialing my parent/guardian and I agree that we have been informed of the responsibilities inherent in the Ballot Processor position as described above and authorize that I am able to perform said duties.

STUDENT INITIALS: _____ PARENT/GUARDIAN INITIALS: _____

Please have your nominating teacher complete:

Teacher Name (Print): _____ Teacher Signature: _____

Contact Number: _____ Email: _____

High School: _____

SIGNATURE OF STUDENT: _____ Date: _____

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN: _____ Date: _____

Incomplete or illegible applications may not be processed.

FOR ELECTION OFFICE USE ONLY:

Contact Date: _____

Eligible: Y N

Pos: E.O. B.I.

Bilingual: Y N

PCNT: _____

Poll Loc: _____

Our staff will contact you with additional information including details of your duties and details of the volunteer stipend. You will receive both phone and written confirmation of your assignment prior to the next election. Please feel free to call 796-1485 with any questions.

***ON BEHALF OF YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS FROM
MONTEREY COUNTY WE THANK YOU FOR COMMITTING TO SERVE!***

