



# Student Poll Worker Application

All students must have Parent and Teacher Signatures for application to be processed. This includes students 18 years and older.

Please print legibly.

<b>S T U D E N T</b>	First Name:	Last Name:
	High School:	Grade:
	Home Address:	Date of Birth:
	City: Zip Code:	Email:
	Home phone:	Cell phone:
	Can you speak and understand a language other than English? YES NO	
	If YES, what language?	
	I understand that in order to meet the legal requirements to qualify as a Student Poll Worker, I must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Be at least 16 years of age at the time of the election in which I am serving.</li><li>• Be a U.S. citizen at the time of the election in which I am serving.</li><li>• Be a student in good standing attending a public or private high school.</li><li>• Have a grade point average of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.</li></ul>	
STUDENT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____		

<b>P A R E N T</b>	Name:
	Emergency contact information on election day:
	This is to certify that I have read the parent letter and give permission for my daughter/son, named above, to serve as a Student Poll Worker.
	PARENT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

<b>T E A C H E R</b>	Name:	
	High School:	Email:
	This is to certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the above named student meets all of the requirements listed above for Student Poll Worker.	
	TEACHER SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____	

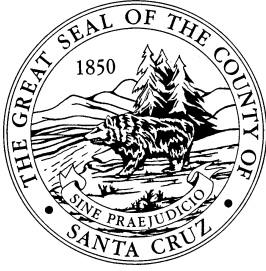
Return completed application by FAX: (831) 454-2445

By email: [lynn.stipes@santacruzcounty.us](mailto:lynn.stipes@santacruzcounty.us)

By mail: 701 Ocean St., Room 210, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:**

HOME PCT: _____	DATE PLACED: _____	NOTES: _____
ASSGN PCT: _____	INITIALS: _____	_____



# County of Santa Cruz

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## COUNTY CLERK / ELECTIONS

701 Ocean Street, Room 210, Santa Cruz, CA 95060-4076  
831-454-2060 Toll-free: 866-282-5900 FAX: 831-454-2445 TDD: 831-454-2123  
E-mail: [info@votescount.com](mailto:info@votescount.com) Web Sites: [www.sccoclerk.com](http://www.sccoclerk.com) & [www.votescount.com](http://www.votescount.com)

**Gail L. Pellerin, County Clerk**  
**Tricia Webber, Assistant County Clerk**

Dear Parent:

With your permission, the Santa Cruz County Clerk/Elections Department would like to encourage your son or daughter to volunteer as a student poll worker for the upcoming election.

All students who are placed at a polling place are required to attend a two-hour training session prior to Election Day. Training sessions are conveniently located throughout Santa Cruz County, both during the week and on weekends. Students will serve with 4 to 5 other members of our community on a precinct board. Poll worker participation is an exciting all-day event. Students are expected to be present at the polling place from 6 a.m. to approximately 10 p.m., receiving both a lunch and dinner break. Students are responsible for providing their own transportation to and from training and the polling place on Election Day. For the convenience of both students and parents, students are assigned to a polling place in close proximity to their home or school.

In addition to gaining an invaluable learning experience about the democratic process, students are paid \$75 for serving on Election Day and an additional \$20 for attending a training class. Payment is mailed approximately 3 weeks following the election.

Rewards of being a Student Poll Worker include:

- Hands-on introduction to the democratic process
- Students can earn community service hours
- Students are more likely to become lifelong voters
- Students can earn \$95
- Looks great on college and scholarship applications and resumes
- Students gain satisfaction from helping out their community

In order to be assigned on Election Day, students must complete the form on the reverse, obtain parent and teacher signatures, and return it to the County Clerk/Elections Department as soon as possible. If for some reason your son or daughter is unable to participate after being placed on a board, please have your son or daughter call our office immediately. If you have any questions or concerns about the Student Poll Worker Program, or are interested in volunteering with your student, please contact us:

- Lynn Stipes at 831-454-2416 or [lynn.stipes@santacruzcounty.us](mailto:lynn.stipes@santacruzcounty.us)
- Jana Vargas 831-454-2513 or [jana.vargas@santacruzcounty.us](mailto:jana.vargas@santacruzcounty.us)

We look forward to your student's participation!