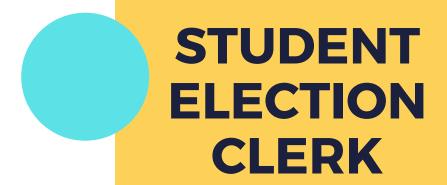
Can I still work as a student election clerk once I turn 18?

A high school or home schooled student who is 18 years of age but is not yet registered to vote is still eligible to serve as a student election clerk. However, we encourage all individuals who are eligible to register to vote to do so, at which point they would be eligible to serve as a regular Election Judge or clerk rather than as a student election clerk.

Can student election clerks work outside their home precinct?

Students can work outside of their home precinct because election clerks are not limited to working only in their own precincts.



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What are student election clerks?

Student election clerks are high school students who are 16 years of age or older who participate in the electoral process by serving as election workers at the polls during the Early Voting period and/or on Election Day. The purpose is to introduce students to the electoral process. including the rights and responsibilities of voters, and to inspire the students with an interest in their government. Also, to provide their local election officials with additional resources, by filling positions at voting places working under the direction of the Presiding Judge.

What are the requirements for a student clerk as an election clerk?

To qualify as a student election clerk, the student must:

- Be at least 16 years old on Election Day
- Be enrolled in a public, private, or qualified home school
- Be a U.S. citizen
- Have consent of his/her parent or legal guardian to work the election
- Have consent of his/her school principal or parent/legal guardian for home-schooled students

What are some of the benefits of serving as a student election clerk?

Some of the benefits of serving are:

- Election workers are paid hourly for their service
- Students will gain practical experience by serving their community
- Experience as an election clerk is an impressive addition to a resumé or college application
- Students can take part in a rewarding activity while learning about the democratic process
- Students can earn community service hours for school

What are some of the responsibilities of a student election clerk?

Working under the supervision of the Presiding Judge, student election clerks may assist with the following duties:

- Organizing the voting place before the polls open
- Ensuring that qualified voters are permitted to vote
- Checking in and processing voters
- Providing instructions and assistance to voters

How do I apply to be a student election clerk?

To serve as a student election clerk, you must:

- Download and complete the <u>Student Election Clerk</u> <u>Application and Permission</u> <u>Form</u>, available on our website,
 - www.epcountyvotes.com
- Have parent/legal guardian complete and sign the permission section. Have your school principal complete and sign the permission section. Also, take the proper steps to ensure that your absence from school will be excused during the Early Voting period or on Election Day
- Send the application to our office via e-mail at epelections@epcounty.com.
- If selected, complete the Poll Worker Training that is available on our website, www.epcountyvotes.com
- Show up to work at the voting place as assigned during the Early Voting period or on Election Day

How often can I serve as a student election clerk?

A school district can excuse a student for the purpose of serving as an Early Voting and/or Election Day clerk for a maximum of two days in a school year.