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Dear Parent/Guardian,

With your permission, the Placer County Elections Office would like to invite your child to volunteer as a Student Poll Worker for the upcoming Election.

Students who are selected to work at a polling place are required to attend a mandatory training class (approximately 3 hours) prior to Election Day. Students will serve with 4 - 6 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 their assigned polling place on Election Day from 6:00 a.m. to approximately 9:00 p.m. Students are responsible for providing their own transportation to and from training and their assigned polling place on Election Day. For the convenience of both students and parents, we will try are best to assign students to a polling place in close proximity to their home address provided on their application.

Submitting an application does not guarantee a position. Students will be placed on a first come, first serve basis. Although we may not be able to place every student applicant, we will try our best to place as many students as possible.

In addition to gaining an invaluable learning experience about the democratic process, students are paid a stipend of \$100 for serving on Election Day plus an additional \$25 for attending the mandatory training class. Payment will be mailed approximately 6-8 weeks following the election to the address provided on their application. Students who do not work the entire day will not be paid the full stipend amount.

Rewards of being a Student Poll Worker include:

- Hands-on introduction to the democratic process
- Students can earn community service hours (check with your school)
- Students are more likely to become lifelong voters
- Students can earn \$125
- Volunteerism looks great on college and scholarship applications and resumes
- Students gain satisfaction from helping out their community

In order for your child to be assigned on Election Day please review the additional requirements listed on the Student Poll Worker application. Applications must be filled out completely with parent and teacher signatures in order to be considered. Completed applications can be returned to the Placer County Elections Office. If for some reason your student is unable to participate after being placed at a polling place, please have your child call the Elections Office as soon as possible. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the Student Poll Worker Program please contact us.

We look forward to your child's contribution to the Election process!