



August 13, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians:

I hope you and your family are doing well and adjusting to the new school year. As you might know, preparations for the November 3, 2020, Presidential General Election are in full motion. Therefore, we would like to invite your student to participate in the San Joaquin County Student Election Officer Program (SEOP). This is a great way to introduce your child to the voting process and see democracy in action!

Per California law, students, 16 years of age and older, may serve as an Election Officer, if they:

1. Have a GPA of at least 2.5
2. Are in good standing, attending public or private schools
3. Citizen or a legal permanent resident of the U.S.

If selected to participate in the program, your student will have the opportunity to serve at a Voter Service Center (VSC) reasonably close to their community during one of the three days leading up to and on Election Day. Please be aware the hours are long; students are expected to remain at their assigned VSC location for a complete shift. All students are responsible for providing their own transportation to and from their Voter Service Center. If your child is unable to participate after assignment to a Voter Service Center, please notify our office immediately. Training class attendance is mandatory in order to work on Election Day. Additionally, students must work a complete shift in order to be paid for the training class.

All selected students that honor their commitment to work at least one shift will be paid a stipend of \$130 for working either Saturday, Sunday or Monday (October 31 – November 2) or \$150 if assigned to work on Tuesday, November 3 (Election Day). There is an additional \$35.00 for attending the mandatory training class. For students to be eligible for participation in the program they must meet the requirements; complete the attached application and return it to their school coordinator for transmittal to our office.

Lastly, I know you may have concerns about COVID-19 and we share them with you. All staff will be required to wear a face covering (provided if needed) and trained to practice social distancing and disinfecting shared equipment. All staff will also receive a temperature check at the beginning of each shift. We recognize that these preventative efforts are not a guarantee and you will decide what is best for your child. Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (209) 468 – 2892.

Thank you in advance for your consideration. We look forward to your student's participation!

Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Angela Smith".

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