Commonly Questions

Asked

Can any high school student be an election judge?

No – only seniors or juniors currently enrolled in a public or private high school that meet specific qualifications.

What are the specific qualifications?

- U.S. Citizen
- Cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 on 4.0 scale
- Written approval from principal and parent or legal guardian
- Satisfactorily complete training course
- Access to a vehicle and cell phone

Do you receive pay for working as a judge?

Yes – students are paid the same rate as all other judges which is \$220.00.

How many hours do you have to work?

Polls are open 6:00 am - 7:00 pm. You must report to the polling place by 5:00 am and remain until closing duties are completed.

How do I become a Student Election Judge?

Complete the form inside and return to your Guidance Counselor. We will then contact you as needed to schedule you for a specific precinct.

If I submit the form, will I definitely be scheduled to work?

Students will be used throughout the County to fill any vacant judge positions. Unfortunately, we may not be aware of where and how many vacancies exist until one to two weeks prior to the election. We will do our best to use as many students as possible and provide you with notice as timely as possible.

ELECTION INFORMATION

PRIMARY ELECTIONS

(Held on the 3rd Tuesday in March of even years)

Offices to be nominated: Federal, State, Judicial and County

Offices to be elected:

Precinct Committeepersons Delegates & Alternate Delegates State Central Committeewomen State Central Committeemen

GENERAL ELECTIONS

(Held on the 1st Tuesday after the 1st Monday in November of even years)

Offices to be elected: Federal, State, Judicial and County

CONSOLIDATED PRIMARY ELECTIONS

(If required – Held on the last Tuesday in February of odd years)

> **Offices to be nominated:** Municipal (Nonpartisan)

CONSOLIDATED GENERAL ELECTIONS

(Held on the 1st Tuesday in April of odd years)

Offices to be elected:

Municipal, Township, Park, Library, School, Community College, SMEAA, Fire District, Water District



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SANGAMON COUNTY STUDENT ELECTION JUDGE PROGRAM

WANTED High School Seniors & Juniors



YOU BE THE JUDGE

DON GRAY

DON GRAY Sangamon County Clerk

WHY BE A STUDENT **ELECTION JUDGE**

- \$220.00 compensation for working
- Hands-on experience with the election process
- Appreciation of the importance of voting
- Gain knowledge on polling place activities
- Good way to become involved in the community

WHAT DOES AN ELECTION **JUDGEDO**

- Judges are the sole authority in polling place
- Judges are responsible for the fair and legal conduct of the Election, according to election laws
- Judges must maintain order in the polling place
- Judges set-up the polls before they open at 6:00 am
- Judges process voters by issuing ballots and necessary forms
- Judges restrict electioneering within 100 ft from the entrance to the polling place
- Judges perform several closing procedures after the polls close at 7:00 pm





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After completion of this application form, please return to: Your Guidance Counselor

We will then contact you regarding upcoming Election Judge Schools and dependent upon availability, we will schedule you to work a specific precinct.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THE STUDENT ELECTION JUDGE PROGRAM!!