

Student Pollworkers

High School students in Chester County are encouraged to help assist in working the polls on Election Day. This is a fantastic opportunity for the students to not only learn about our democratic voting process but also to introduce them to members of their own communities.

Requirements-

According to the Pennsylvania Election Code 25 P.S. 2672 (b) The County board may appoint students, notwithstanding their eligibility to vote, to serve as a clerk or machine inspector pursuant to the following:

- (1) The county board may appoint no more than two students per precinct
- (2) The Judge of Elections shall have direct supervision of the student
- (3) The county board may compensate the student
- (4) The county board shall comply with all applicable Federal and State laws
- (5) The student must be at the time of the election for which the student shall serve:
 - (i) be at least seventeen (17) years of age;
 - (ii) be a United States citizen and a resident of the county in which he was appointed to serve
 - (iii) be enrolled in a secondary educational institution with an exemplary academic record as determined by the educational institution;
 - (iv) be approved by the principal or director of the secondary educational institution; and
 - (v) have obtained the consent of their parent or guardian.

The student may not serve as a Judge of Election, Majority or Minority Inspector.

Expectations-

- Students are required to have the permission form signed and returned back to Voter Services prior to the election.
- Students that are 17 must follow state labor laws and can only work a half day. While students who are 18 may work a full day.
- Students are expected to work their entire shift.
- Students are required to attend a training class prior to Election Day. (These classes are posted on the Voter Services homepage at Chesco.org.)
- If room is available students can expect to be placed in a precinct that is within their school district, with the priority going to their household precinct location.
- Students working the polls can expect to be paid by check a few weeks after the election.

How to apply?

Simply fill out the form on the opposite side and return it to Voter Services prior to the next election. Both halves of the consent form need to be completed before turning in to Voter Services. A welcome packet will be sent with the training schedule and precinct enclosed.

*Please mail or drop off any completed forms to Chester County Voter Services at the
Government Services Center, Suite 150
601 Westtown Road
West Chester, PA 19380-0990
Phone Number: 610-344-6410*



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Student Pollworker Permission Form

Students must be at least 17 years old to apply.

I, _____ hereby grant _____ my
(Name of Parent/Guardian) (Name of Student)

permission to work as a Machine Operator or Clerk during the _____ election.
(Date of Election)

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date

Student's Address: _____ Student's Telephone Number: _____

Desired Shift: Full Day (6:30AM to 9:30PM) Half Day Morning (6:30AM to 2PM)
 Half Day Evening (2PM to 9:30PM)

School Consent Form

I _____ hereby grant permission to the above named
(Name of Principal or Guidance Counselor)

student to work as a Machine Operator or Clerk during the _____ election.
(Date of Election)

Name of School and School District

Signature of School Representative and Title

Date