



# **WANT TO SERVE AS AN ELECTION JUDGE ???**

Election judges are paid officials who staff the polling places and ensure that the rights of voters are protected on Election Day. Election judges must be at least 18 years old.

Election judges are essential to our democracy. Serving as an election judge provides an opportunity to learn more about the election process and is a great service to our community.

By law, your employer must give you paid time off to serve as an election judges. To qualify, you must provide your employer with at least twenty (20) days written notice and the pay rate form you receive from your City Election Official when you are hired to serve as an election judges.

Your employer may: \*reduce your salary or wages by the amount you are paid as an election judge during the time you are away from work, \*restrict the number of employees serving as an election judge to no more than 20% at a single work site.

Official Duties of an election may include:

- \* setting up polling plan
- \* assist voters, register voters and ensure all qualified voters are permitted to vote
- \*demonstrate how to vote and distribute ballots to voters and operate voting equipment
- \*close polling place following voting and determine results after polls close

To qualify to be an election judge, you must:

- Be at least 18 years old on Election Day and be a U.S. Citizen
- Be a Minnesota resident
- Not have your voting rights revoked
- Be able to read, write and speak English
- Attend a 2 hour training session

You cannot be:

- Be the spouse, parent, child or sibling of an election judge serving in the same precinct.
- The candidate or spouse, parent, child, or sibling of any candidate on the ballot in the same precinct.

If you are interested in being an election judge, please fill out an application form (available from the City Clerk) and return it to City of Anoka Elections. We hope that you will take part in this opportunity for civic participation. We look forward to hearing from you. Should you have any questions, please contact us at:

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