

What is a Poll Worker?

Poll Workers are the backbone of our election system. Being a Poll Worker is an enjoyable and rewarding way to take an active part in our free democratic process and earn money at the same time. This trusted position is ideal for anyone who would like to get a first-hand look at how our system works and provides citizens their opportunity to vote. Many Poll Workers serve year after year for the experience of being an integral part of the election process.

On Election Day, Poll Workers welcome all voters, facilitate voting, conduct precinct operations in accordance with election law, and follow defined procedures. We encourage you to become a Rabun County Poll Worker.

How to Apply for a Poll Worker Position

To become a poll worker, you must complete a "Poll Worker Application". You may stop by the Elections Office, Suite 205 in the Rabun County Courthouse or you may call 706-782-1878 and have an application mailed, faxed or emailed to you. You may also download an application on the county web site at www.rabuncountygov.com under forms.

Qualifications

1. Be a United States citizen.
2. Be a Resident of Rabun County.
3. Be 16 years of age or older.
4. Be able to read, write and speak the English language.
5. Not be a convicted felon, or rights relating have been restored.
6. Not run for nor hold a public office while serving as a Poll Worker.
7. If you are a parent, spouse, child, brother, sister, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law of the candidate you are not eligible to serve as a Poll Worker.
8. Preferably be a registered voter.

Poll Worker Positions and Duties

Manager ~ Supervises polling place operations, assigns tasks to assistant managers and clerks, attends training, picks up supplies, sets up/takes down polling place, delivers all supplies to Election office on Election night.

Assistant Manager ~ Attends training, assists manager with duties, may accompany manager on Election night.

Clerk ~ Attends training, assists manager with duties.

More About Poll Workers ...

- * Poll Workers are helpful and courteous at all times.
- * New applicants may be assigned as stand-by poll workers. Stand-bys could be called upon to work at any time prior to Election Day and sometimes on election morning. Therefore, it is important that every stand-by be prepared for a last minute call.
- * Poll Workers are paid only if they work an election. Prior to an election, Poll Workers and stand-bys must be trained as required by Georgia Law (O.C.G.A. sec.212-99b). Poll Workers are required to take a simple compliance test on the materials presented.
- * On Election Day, you must report to your assigned polling location no later than 6:00 a.m. The polls close at 7:00 p.m. Managers, Assistant Managers and Clerks are required to work the full day. Workers are not released until all election tasks are completed, and the Manager authorizes dismissal.
- * Proper attire (business casual) is required. Poll Workers shall not wear any jewelry, buttons, pins, etc., that suggest political party affiliation or promote a candidate or any issue on the ballot.
- * Poll Workers shall not make any partisan statements or remarks while working at the polls or engage in conversation involving the personal business of the voter to other Poll Workers.
- * Everyone that works a full day should come prepared to spend a full day, bring lunch, supper and any other necessities such as medicine, etc. No Poll Worker may leave the polling place during their shift.

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ATTENTION:
High School and College
Students

The Elections Office invites all eligible high school and college students to take part in First Vote, Rabun County's Student Poll Worker program. It's a great opportunity to get an inside look at American democracy in action and earn money or community service hours at the same time. Georgia law allows high school students 16 years of age or over to work as an election official. You must be a United States citizen and a student in good standing with your school. If you are interested in working at the polls on Election Day, contact your school principal or Rabun County Elections Office at 706-782-1878.



Become a Poll Worker!!

Rabun County needs Poll Workers in order to provide the registered voters of the county the opportunity to vote.



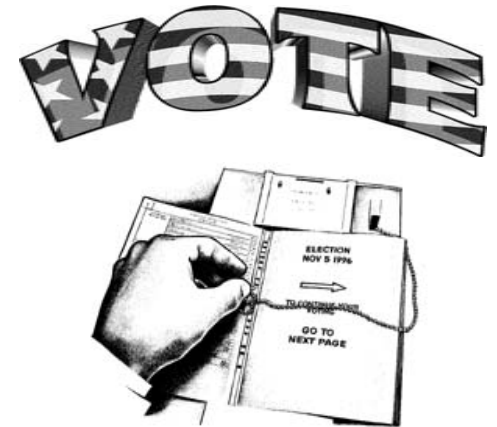
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