

PEO FAQ's

What is a PEO? Precinct Election Official, or poll worker

What is a VLM? Voting Location Manager. They are in charge of the precinct and liaison to our office at the Board of Elections

Do I get paid? Yes, first-time poll workers must take a 3 hour class \$25; Monday set-up \$10; working on Election Day \$101.50; total if all 3 are completed \$136.50. Returning poll workers take refresher classes at least annually \$15.

What are the work hours? PEO's are required to work from 5:30 AM to approximately 8:00 PM on Election Day. This includes set-up and tear-down.

Can I take a lunch break? The VLM will assess how long and what type of break PEO's may be allowed dependent upon the busyness of the precinct. Each polling location has different facilities available. The VLM will contact the polling location for specifics and communicate with each PEO prior to Election Day.

I was asked to be a VLM. Sounds like a lot of responsibility. If you were asked, it is because we feel that you possess the qualities to perform the duties of a VLM. Specialized training is available for VLM's, our website includes detailed information, and practice labs times are available prior to each election. We are available to answer any questions and assist when needed prior to and on Election Day.

If I sign up to be a PEO will I be working on Election Day? Our top priority is to run a flawless election. We do have PEO's who are "regulars" and work in a specific precinct every election. We do not take these assignments lightly and strive to place PEO's based on knowledge, skill level, and experience to achieve a balanced team at each precinct. Those PEO's who work full time and inform the BOE that they are taking the day off from their workplace will be placed if at all possible. You may be asked to be a "backup" or "substitute". These positions are very important in cases of emergency or illness when an assigned worker cannot be present.

Can I work in my home precinct? Occasionally this is possible, depending on our needs of workers in that particular precinct. More likely than not, your chances of working will be greater if you are willing to work in other areas besides your home precinct. You can specify your preferences to us.