

Pollworker Points...

January 2010

2010 ELECTION CYCLE

Good News for Payroll!

Pollworker payroll checks for the Primary and General Elections will be separated beginning in August 2010. For years, we have paid our pollworkers for fall elections after the General Election in November. This was due to the fact that we conducted a second primary election in October and were not equipped to prepare the payroll with such a short turn around before the next election. Now, with the elimination of second primaries and the implementation of a new procedure in the elections' office, pollworkers should receive their paychecks within three weeks of each election.

Are You Up-To-Date?

The 2010 election cycle is gearing up. So, it is imperative that our office be able to contact our pollworkers. Keeping the elections' office apprised when you move or make telephone and email address changes will assist us in keeping you up-to-date and informed about election related issues. Training schedules and work assignments are examples of information we need to be able to pass along to all of you. Contact your pollworker coordinator or go on-line to www.pascovotes.com to update your information.

Are You Ready?

The Pasco County Supervisor of Elections will be conducting elections in August and November 2010. Trainings for those elections typically occur during the month prior to each election. Will you be available to attend trainings and work during this period? Preparations are underway for trainings and the staffing of polling places. Contact your pollworker coordinator now if you are unavailable or no longer able to work either of these elections.

Coming Soon

UPDATED ON-LINE TRAINING PLATFORM (OTP)

Supervisor Corley is pleased to announce that we will be rolling out the new version of our on-line training platform (OTP) in early April, 2010. The two-hour OTP is mandatory for all Pasco County pollworkers. Therefore, all pollworkers who wish to work the 2010 fall elections must complete the OTP by June 1, 2010.

The June 1, 2010 deadline affords staff the time necessary to make polling place assignments and generate the training notifications by mid-June, 2010. This deadline gives pollworkers a full two months to complete the OTP, making them eligible to work.

The OTP can be completed on any computer with internet access.

Pollworkers who do not have access to a computer will be able to complete this mandatory training on a laptop in any of the four elections' offices (by appointment only). If you are interested in using the Supervisor of Elections' laptops, please call your pollworker coordinator to schedule an appointment. Appointments will be available between April 1, 2010 and June 1, 2010 in two-hour sessions.

Check your inbox (or mailbox) for your user ID and password, which will be sent to you in late March, 2010.



SAVE THE DATE

Mark your calendars! Individual training and assignment notifications will be emailed to all pollworkers in mid-June, 2010. The notifications will be sent to those pollworkers who have completed the 2010 on-line training platform (OTP) and are ready to attend their job-specific training classes.

Although the specific dates, times and locations of each training have not been confirmed, pollworkers should be aware that trainings for the August Primary Election will begin the last week of July, 2010 and continue through the third week of August, 2010. Also, the training classes for the November General Election will begin the last week of September and continue through the third week in October, 2010. A finalized schedule will be available once all dates, times and locations are confirmed.

Since notifications are being sent via email, pollworkers should make sure our office has a current and valid email address on file. If an issue ever arises with the class you have been assigned, contact your pollworker coordinator timely so alternate arrangements can be made. Email the pollworker department at pollworker@pascovotes.com. Additionally, East and Central pollworkers can reach Xenia at 352-521-4302 or 813-929-2788 and pollworkers from West Pasco can reach Joyce at 727-847-8162.



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POSITION CHANGES AT THE POLLS

After the 2008 Election Cycle, the Pasco County Supervisor of Elections' office determined a minor change in the duties of Voting System Attendants and Ballot Distributors would be beneficial to voters and pollworkers alike. In an effort to promote the efficiency of election day operations and election night responsibilities, the positions of Attendant and Ballot Distributor will no longer rotate throughout the day.

The Attendant will continue to assist the VSS with opening and closing procedures. They will also assist voters throughout the day at the DS200 and privacy booths. Ballot Distributors will continue to distribute paper ballots to eligible voters. They will also assist the Precinct Supervisor with ballot verification during the opening of the polls and ballot reconciliation during the closing of the polls.

Likewise, the EViD area will see a change as well. The EViD Specialist will be assigned to

the Help Desk and no longer rotate with the operators at the Check-In station. There will be one EViD Specialist assigned to each polling place. In polling places with multiple EViD Operators, the operators will continue to rotate between the Check-In station and the Help Desk where they will assist the EViD Specialist with paperwork and voter processing.

If you have a preference for working any of these positions, please contact your pollworker coordinator as soon as possible. Email the pollworker department at pollworker@pascovotes.com. Additionally, East and Central pollworkers can reach Xenia at 352-521-4302 or 813-929-2788 and pollworkers from West Pasco can reach Joyce at 727-847-8162.

**Nothing endures but change.
Heraclitus, Greek philosopher (540 BC - 480 BC)**

HELP WANTED

Our pollworker coordinators are in the process of conducting orientations to bolster the ranks of pollworkers in Pasco County. Because we recruit pollworkers year round, we are taking this opportunity to utilize our best resource, YOU!

Experienced pollworkers have the ability to provide prospective workers with an in-depth look into the qualifications and expectations of Pasco County pollworkers. So, we would like to ask for your help in recruiting individuals, like yourselves, who are dedicated and committed to civic contributions.

If you belong to a church or synagogue, a civic association, a lodge, a community service organization, or have friends and neighbors willing to contribute to our county's success, please help us "get the word out" about the service opportunities available in the Pasco County Supervisor of Elections' office.

If you are one of our Adopt-a-Precincts, perhaps you could mention our program to other business professionals or industry leaders. We are always looking for members of the community willing to incorporate their skills into the enhancement of the election process.

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ELECTION DATES

Municipal Elections
April 13, 2010

Primary Election
August 24, 2010

General Election
November 2, 2010

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