

# LET ME VOTE



## Poll Workers With Disabilities

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**It only takes one person to make a difference.**

**Anyone 17 and older can be a poll worker. Why not you?**

Being a poll worker means interaction with your community and an opportunity to show the public that people with disabilities enjoy the rights and opportunities available to everyone.

**What better way to break down barriers?**

**As a poll worker you can:**

- Identify and fix issues of accessibility.
- Create ease for voters using adaptive voting machines.
- Ensure polling sites are comfortable and accessible to everyone, especially for people with disabilities.

**To work at the polls, you:**

- Must be 18 years of age by Election Day.
- Must be registered to vote.
- Complete poll worker training.

**Will I get paid to be a poll worker?**

- Yes, you will get paid for working from before the polls open at 6:30 a.m. to when they close at 7:30 p.m. Breaks are permitted throughout the day.

## Can I get class credit?

- High school seniors, who are at least 17 years of age and a U.S. citizen, may be excused from school for one day to allow them to serve as poll workers. Talk to your teachers about using your experience for extra credit.

## Where will I work? Can my friend work with me?

- Usually, poll workers are placed near their homes. Boards of elections can usually accommodate partners and friends working together, if you apply and ask soon enough.

## What if I don't know enough about voting rules?

- Your local board of elections provides training to every poll worker, and you will be working with others who help each other.

**Contact your local board of elections to apply to be a poll worker!**

## For help or more information:

- Call the Ohio Secretary of State's office at 877-SOS-OHIO (877-767-6446), or visit [www.myohiovote.com](http://www.myohiovote.com).
- Contact the Election Protection hotline at 866-OUR-VOTE (866-687-8683) or at [info@866ourvote.org](mailto:info@866ourvote.org)
- Disability Rights Ohio is another organization that helps people with disabilities. You can call them at 614-728-2553 or 800-858-3542 (TTY).
- If you feel your right to vote has been denied, contact the ACLU of Ohio at 216-472-2220 or [contact@acluohio.org](mailto:contact@acluohio.org).



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