

**STUDENT ELECTION ASSISTANTS
(for 17+ high school students)**

**Enrollment / Academic Status
Verification (Required):**

Name of Principal/Director or Educator: _____

School Name: _____

School Address: _____

Daytime Phone: _____

Email: _____

Signature: _____

By my signature above, I am recommending this student to be a student election assistant and certify that he/she is enrolled and has an exemplary academic record as defined by this institution.

Parental Permission (Required):

Parent Guardian Legal Custodian

Name: _____

Address: _____

Best Phone: _____

Email: _____

Signature: _____

By my signature above, I consent for this student to be absent from school attendance on Election Day and that I allow him/her to perform service as a student election assistant.

**TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY
BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

**Precinct Election
Official**



**Recruiting Guide
and Application**

Transylvania County Board of Elections
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**Transylvania County Board of Elections
Application to Serve as Precinct Election Official**

Consider me for these positions: <input type="checkbox"/> Chief Judge <input type="checkbox"/> Judge <input type="checkbox"/> Assistant <input type="checkbox"/> Student Asst. <input type="checkbox"/> OneStop/Early <input type="checkbox"/> Alternate <input type="checkbox"/> MAT Team <input type="checkbox"/> Other role: _____	<i>Last Name</i>	<i>First Name</i>	<i>MI</i>	<i>Nickname:</i>
	<i>Date of Birth</i>	<i>Voter Registration # (if known)</i>	<i>Gender:</i> <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	<i>Party Affiliation</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Democrat <input type="checkbox"/> Libertarian <input type="checkbox"/> Republican <input type="checkbox"/> Unaffiliated <input type="checkbox"/> Not Registered
	<i>Home Address</i>			
<i>Home Phone:</i>	<i>Cell Phone:</i>	<i>Email address:</i>		

Please check the appropriate box:

- I will be able to attend 4 hours of training before each election: Yes No
- I have my own transportation to and from the polling place on Election Day: Yes No
- I am computer literate or I am willing to learn and be trained: Yes No
- I am physically able to lift 30 lbs: Yes No
- I am able to work continuously from 5:30am until at least 8:30pm on Election Day: Yes No
- I understand I may be required to assist setting up my precinct on the eve of the election: Yes No
- I am currently a registered voter and resident of Transylvania County: Yes No
- I am able to serve in an impartial manner and will not voice my political views while working: Yes No

Choose (1) : I am willing to work in ... any precinct nearby precincts my precinct only

In regard to technology (setting up & operating a laptop / printer, etc.), my comfort level can best be described as:
 Fearless Confident with Training Somewhat Nervous Uneasy, never use computers

NOTICE TO APPLICANT – PLEASE READ BEFORE YOU SIGN BELOW: Persons appointed by the Transylvania County Board of Elections to these positions must be registered voters (or at least age 17) and legal U. S. residents of the county or precinct, of good repute, and able to read and write legibly. Your signature indicates you have read this brochure and understand the information presented. Your signature does not guarantee you will be appointed as a Precinct Election Official. The Transylvania County Board of Elections may remove you as a precinct election official for misbehavior or neglect of duty at their discretion. You will be contacted if selected for appointment. Alternates are trained and on standby to be called if a vacancy occurs.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

PRECINCT OFFICIAL QUALIFICATIONS & RESPONSIBILITIES — TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

BASIC QUALIFICATIONS

(NC § 163A-815)

- ◆ Registered voter and resident of Transylvania County and be at least 18 yrs. old by Election Day, or a 17 yr. old student.
- ◆ Ability to read & write legibly
- ◆ Should be computer literate
- ◆ Cannot serve at the same precinct with a near relative
- ◆ Cannot hold elective office under:
 - ~ Government of United States
 - ~ Government of North Carolina
 - ~ Or any political subdivision
- ◆ Cannot be a candidate of nomination or Election, or their near relative
- ◆ Cannot hold any office:
 - ~ In a state, congressional district, county, or precinct political party or political organizations (includes executive members)
 - ~ Cannot be a manager or treasurer for any candidate or political party
- ◆ **TEAM PLAYER ATTITUDE!**

CHIEF JUDGE DUTIES

- ◆ Acquire time off work to serve on Election Day
- ◆ Attend mandatory training class (paid \$20) and pick up required materials from BOE Office
- ◆ Leads precinct activities on Election Day
- ◆ Superior preparation of precinct before polls open and complete knowledge of training materials and all Election Day procedures for processing voters
- ◆ Follow specific instructions to access polling location for Election Day—obtain key on the Monday prior to ED if necessary; specific instructions are placed inside Chief Judge’s materials and should be reviewed thoroughly, well in advance
- ◆ Must contact other judges for your precinct the weekend before Election Day to arrange a time to meet, assign tasks & coordinate meals, etc.
- ◆ On Election Day you are responsible for:
 - ⇒ All opening precinct procedures before 6:30am
 - ⇒ Appropriate conduct of all judges & observers
 - ⇒ All closing precinct procedures including:
 - Voting machine shutdown, ensuring all judges stay to finish & prepare all paperwork as a team, Including assistants; secure building before leaving the polling place together
- ◆ Returning all supplies to BOE for check in

Chief Judge Pay: \$ 252 + training

JUDGES DUTIES

(Both Judges & Assistants)

- ◆ Acquire time off to serve on Election Day
- ◆ Attend mandatory training class (paid \$20)
- ◆ Assist Chief Judge & other Judges with all precinct duties on Election Day
- ◆ Contact BOE Office if your Chief Judge has not made contact with you by Monday prior to Election Day (884-3114)
- ◆ Be prepared Election Day—re-read training materials and know how to assist voters; arrive promptly by 5:30am ready to work, coordinate meals in advance, etc.
- ◆ Assist with opening the precinct for voters
- ◆ Responsible for good conduct, and knowing laws that apply & how machines operate
- ◆ Responsible for assisting Chief Judge settle any disputes that arise Election Day
- ◆ Assist with closing the precinct; packing up all supplies, shutting down machines, tabulating the votes, and signing all paperwork, and helping load everything into Chief Judge’s car to be returned
- ◆ Help secure the building & leave together

Judge Pay: \$ 206 + training, Asst. Pay \$131 + training

Student Election Assistants

(NC § 163A—819)

- ◆ All basic qualifications & responsibilities are the same as for Judges and Assistants; except that a 17 yr. old Student Election Assistant does not have to be a registered voter in Transylvania County.
- ◆ Must be enrolled in a secondary educational institution or home school with an exemplary academic record as determined by the institution.
- ◆ Must submit signed recommendation of the principal or director of the secondary educational institution where enrolled.
- ◆ Must submit signed consent of a parent, legal custodian, or guardian (attached).
- ◆ Students may not act as Judges of the precinct in hearings conducted on election day, or be assigned as observers by party.
- ◆ Students own transportation is a plus; never know when replacements will be needed in other precincts election day
- ◆ The abilities to read & write legibly cannot be overstated as essential communication is vital; and data entry must be accurate.
- ◆ Training (\$20) is mandatory

Student Asst. Pay : \$ 131 + training