

# THE ONEIDA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS IS LOOKING FOR POLL WORKERS!

When you head out to vote during Early Voting or on Election Day, the person helping you is a dedicated volunteer committed to the election process.

It's a long day and a lot of work, but without these dedicated individuals we could not make our democracy work!

Free and open elections are the basis on which this country was formed and you can make a difference by becoming a poll worker to help protect those freedoms.

If you, a family member or a friend would like to **get paid** to be an election inspector, please go online or give our office a call to GET INVOLVED.



**Call: (315)798-5765**

**Go to:** [www.ocgovboe.net/poll-worker-information/](http://www.ocgovboe.net/poll-worker-information/)

# WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR?

**Sign up to serve your community today!**

## STEP 1: FIND OUT MORE

You can learn about what a poll worker does during Early Voting & on Election Day on our website and on the NYS Board of Election website. Signing up to work the polls is a rewarding way to support our democracy, give back to your community, and ensure free, fair and accessible elections for all! Plus, poll workers get paid!

## STEP 2: FILL OUT AN APPLICATION

If you meet the requirements to be a poll worker in Oneida County, complete an application on our website or email or call us to have one sent to you!

## STEP 3: FOLLOW UP

We will reach out to you about your application as soon as we can. Prospective poll workers will need to complete some additional county forms to come onto our payroll. After that, we will get you scheduled for your training class!

## STEP 4: ATTEND TRAINING

In order to become a certified poll worker, you **must** attend a training class hosted by the Oneida County Board of Elections either in-person or online. This will prepare you to work the election!

## STEP 5: HELP ON ELECTION DAY

Poll workers greet and check-in voters, give them their ballots, keep lines in order, and assist in many other ways. Your work makes a huge impact during Early Voting and on Election Day – THANK YOU!



# HELP ONEIDA COUNTY VOTE:

# BECOME A POLL WORKER!

## ONEIDA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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## QUALIFICATIONS

In order to be an Election Inspector in Oneida County, you must meet the following qualifications:

- ✓ Be a registered voter (Democrat, Republican, or No Party Affiliation)
- ✓ Be at least 18 years of age
- ✓ Be an Oneida County resident
- ✓ Cannot hold public office or be a candidate running for public office
- ✓ Cannot be the spouse, parent, or child of a candidate who is running for office in the election district you are assigned to work
- ✓ Must be able to speak, read, and write in the English language

If you meet the above criteria, you are eligible to become a certified Election Inspector. To become certified, you must:

- ✓ Attend a paid training class offered by the Board of Elections,
- ✓ Pass an annual Training Exam to be re-certified, and
- ✓ Take an Oath of Office annually.

## WHAT TASKS WILL YOU PERFORM AS A POLL WORKER?

Election Inspectors are responsible for a variety of tasks during Early Voting and on Election Day. Some of your responsibilities will include:

- Preparing the polling place for voting
- Setting up the voting equipment
- Signing-in and processing voters
- Demonstrating voting procedures to the voters
- Closing the polling place
- Canvassing and reporting the results
- Assisting voters, if requested

## WILL YOU BE PAID?

Yes, poll workers get paid for training and for each day they work!

In Oneida County you will get paid:

- \$25 for training!
- \$12.71/hour during Early Voting!
- \$200 to \$225 for working Election Day!

## WHAT OTHER WAYS WILL YOU BENEFIT?

- You'll learn about elections in New York,
- You'll gain valuable experience,
- You get to help your local community & support our democracy!

## WHEN ARE YOU NEEDED?

### 2021 General Election:

- Early Voting: October 23, 2021 to October 31, 2021
  - Hours: Vary by site and day
- Election Day: November 2, 2021
  - Hours: 6:00am to 9:00pm

Poll workers are generally required to get to their poll site on Election Day by **5:15am** in order to set up the poll site and must stay until the poll site is closed.

Please let us know if you cannot work the entire day – we may still be able to assign you to a site.



We hope you can get involved and become a proud poll worker. Come work with us!