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City and County of San Francisco Department of Elections



Greetings Poll Workers!

We hope you had a happy new year and are looking forward to a busy Presidential Election year! You can get ready for the Presidential Primary Election on June 7, 2016 by learning a little more about the way primaries are conducated in California.

California has a modified closed primary system for Presidential elections and open primary system for voter-nomintated offices.

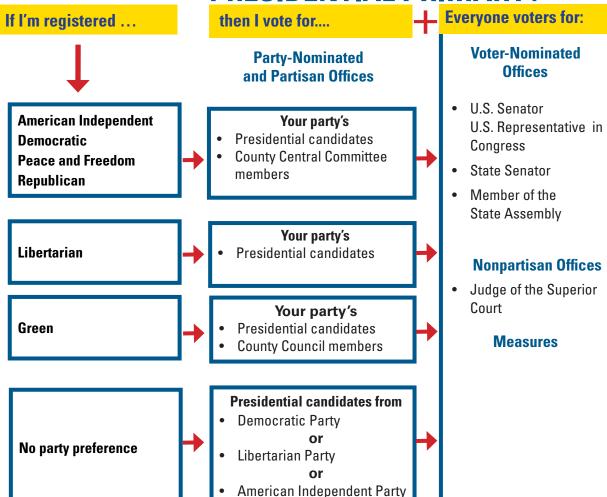
Under the modified closed primary system, voters who indicate a political party preference when they register to vote may participate in their party's presidential primary election and, if applicable vote for members of that party's County Central Commitee or County Council.

Each political party has the option of also allowing people who registered without stating a preference for a qualified political party to vote in its presidential primary election. For this election, the American Independent, Democratic, and Libertarian parties have allowed no party preference voter participation.

Under the open primary system, all candidates for a voter-nominated office are listed on the same ballot, regardless of the candidates' party preferences, and any voter may vote for any candidate, regardless of the voter's party preference.

In addition to the voter-nominated offices, any voter may vote in contests for nonpartisan offices and in favor of or against ballot measures. See the chart below for a visual explanation.

WHAT CAN I VOTE ON IN THE **PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY?**



Refer a Friend

Did you know that we almost need twice the number of poll workers as compared to the last Election? The Department of Elections is looking to recruit 2,500 poll workers for the upcoming June Election to fill 576 polling places in the city.

Many of the polling places throughout San Francisco are required to have bilingual poll workers who speak Chinese, Spanish, Filipino, Vietnamese, Korean, or Japanese in addition to English. WE NEED YOUR HELP to recruit more bilingual as well as English-only speaking poll workers!

Invite your friends and family to become a poll worker! If you have any interested friends or relatives, please encourage them to apply at *sfelections.org/pollworker* or visit the Department of Elections Recruitment Office at City Hall, Room 48. We are open Thursdays from 11:00 am - 3:00 pm or by appointment!



Mark your Calendar



Please return the enclosed availability letter as soon as possible!

- Deadline to submit Availabilty Letters April 1st
- Clerk/Student Training April 29 through May 28
- Inspector Training May 29 through June 4th
- Training Labs June 5th
- ELECTION DAY June 7th

Longest-Serving Poll Workers

The Department of Elections would like to thank all our poll workers, and give a special mention to our 25 longest-serving poll workers who served over 40 Elections! Thank you for your loyalty, dedication, and support over the years.

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