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**DATE:** October 20, 2020

TO: All Staff

**SUBJECT:** TIME OFF FOR VOTING IN STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION – NOVEMBER 3, 2020

The California Elections Code allows employees to take time off to vote, under specific guidelines. Any employee who is a registered voter is entitled to take off only so much working time as necessary to allow sufficient time to vote. In no event is the employer required to grant more than two (2) hours off without loss of pay.

Each request for time off must be in writing and contain the following information:

Employee's name; job classification; name of department in which s/he is employed; the statement that, "I am a registered voter"; geographic location and address of employee's polling place; amount of time off requested and whether it is to be at the beginning or end of the employee's regular work shift; and a clear statement as to why the employee is unable to vote during the regular 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. hours that the polls are open or at any of the early voting sites.

The attached notice is being posted in all EHSD buildings and distributed to all EHSD staff via STARS and email.

Also attached is a flyer announcing early in-person voting locations which start on Friday, October 30th as well as a list of Ballot Drop-Off locations throughout the county.

For additional information, please visit the Elections Office website at: <a href="http://www.cocovote.us/election/presidential-general-election-november-3-2020/#Election">www.cocovote.us/election/presidential-general-election-november-3-2020/#Election</a>

Lastly, Administrative Bulletin 405.5 – **Political Activities** establishes the policy prohibiting the use of employees' official capacity, work hours, County property or County resources in connection with any political activity.

Thank you.



THIS NOTICE MUST BE POSTED NOT LESS THAN <u>TEN (10) DAYS BEFORE</u> EVERY GENERAL, DIRECT PRIMARY OR PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION



### NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES TIME OFF TO VOTE

## **NOVEMBER 3, 2020 - PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION**

EMPLOYEES WHO ARE REGISTERED VOTERS MAY CLAIM NECESSARY TIME OFF TO VOTE AT STATEWIDE ELECTIONS UNDER THE FOLLOWING PROVISIONS OF CALIFORNIA ELECTIONS CODE SECTION 14000.

- a) If a voter does not have sufficient time outside of working hours to vote at a statewide election, the voter may, without loss of pay, take off enough working time that, when added to the voting available outside of working hours, will enable the voter to vote.
- b) No more than two (2) hours of the time taken off for voting shall be without loss of pay. The time off for voting shall be only at the beginning or end of the regular working shift, whichever allows the most free time for voting and the least time off from the regular working shift, unless otherwise mutually agreed.
- c) If the employee on the third working day prior to the day of the election, knows or has reason to believe that the time off will be necessary to be able to vote on election day, the employee shall give the employer at least two (2) working days' notice that time off for voting is desired, in accordance with Section 14000 of the California Elections Code.

### REGISTERED VOTERS WHO NEED TIME OFF TO VOTE SHOULD MAKE ARRANGEMENTS WITH:

Julie Bloxham, Personnel (925) 608-5017 \_\_\_\_\_jbloxham@ehsd.cccounty.us\_\_\_\_\_ (Name of Departmental Contact)





POST NOTICE NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2020 Contra Costa County Elections Division has the following information and resources available to voters. Consider these as you create the scope of your work.

www.cocovote.us				
VOTE CALIFORNIA www.registertovote.ca.gov	<ul> <li>Access to online voter registration form</li> <li>Can be used to register or update voter information</li> <li>Multi-language support</li> <li>Fast processing time</li> <li>Easy to use on computer, tablet or smart phone</li> </ul>			
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION - NOV 3	<ul> <li>"My Voting Information" is a quick link for voters to access their:</li> <li>Registration status</li> <li>Voter Information Guide</li> <li>Sample Ballot (English, Spanish or Chinese)</li> <li>Polling Place</li> <li>Districts and elected officials</li> </ul>			
WHERE'S MY BALLOT?	Ballot Tracking Sign up at <b>WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov</b> to receive automatic email, SMS(text), or voice call notifications about your ballot.			
	24/7 Ballot Drop Off Boxes The county has 34 secure ballot drop off locations which will be open to voters starting on October 5 <sup>th</sup> These boxes will be serviced by Elections Division staff daily			
Regional Early Voting	Regional Early Voting locations These are in-person service locations where voters can be assisted regardless of where they live within Contra Costa County. Voters may return their ballot, register and vote, use accessible voting equipment to cast their ballot privately and independently. Friday, October 30 <sup>th</sup> 11 a.m 7 p.m. Saturday, October 31 <sup>st</sup> 9 a.m 5 p.m. Monday, November 2 <sup>nd</sup> 11 a.m 7 p.m.			
Remote Accessible Vote by Mail Mark your ballot independently and privately at home.	Remote Accessible Vote by Mail Voters with disabilities or specific access issues may request an <i>Accessible Vote by Mail Ballot</i> to fill out from their computer, print and return in their Vote by Mail Envelope.			





https://WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov





## Available at all in-person voting locations

	Language Text Size	Audio View	
Vote in English			$\rightarrow$
Votación en Español			$\rightarrow$
用普通話投票 - Mandarin			$\rightarrow$
用粤 <b>语</b> 投票 - Cantonese			$\rightarrow$
Bumoto sa Tagalog			$\rightarrow$
Bình chọn bằng tiếng việt			$\rightarrow$
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Available sa Lahat ng Lugar ng Botohan.

## 모든 투표장소에서 가능합니다.

Hiện có tại tất cả Nơi Bỏ Phiếu.

(925) 335-7800

voter.services@vote.cccounty.us



# **NEED HELP?**

We are continuosly reducing barriers to increase voter access for participation on Election Day.



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