

Community Outreach: Elections

For elections, encourage voter participation by providing your parents and community members with non-partisan voter information through flyers, newsletter articles, and at PTA meetings:

Date and type of election

Example: “June 8, 2010 - State Primary Election”

Items on ballot

Include proposition numbers and titles.

Voter registration information

Include deadlines for voter registration. Information from the Orange County Registrar of Voters is at www.ocvote.com. For a voter registration drive, the Registrar will provide you with as many voter registration forms as you need. Don't forget to encourage students who turn 18 to register!

Vote by mail information

Example: “Returned ballots must be received at the registrar’s office by Election Day, or they can be turned in (by the voter or immediate family member) by hand to any polling place on Election Day.”

Voting on Election Day

Include poll hours (“Polls are open from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m.”) and polling place information (“Your polling place is identified on the back of the Sample Ballot that is mailed to the home of all registered voters. Or you can find it at www.ocvote.com under ‘Help Me Vote’ and then ‘Vote at the Polls.’ ”

Information and Explanations of Ballot Measures:

- PTA positions on the ballot measures can be found at www.capta.org. PTA positions may be discussed at PTA meetings or sent out via email b, but may not be printed for distribution in children’s backpacks.
- The official Voter Guide from the Secretary of State is sent to all registered voters, and it can be found online at www.voterguide.sos.ca.gov
- League of Women Voters provides impartial, non-partisan voter and polling place information at www.smartvoter.org
- Non-partisan quick guide to elections can be viewed at www.easyvoter.org. The FREE *Easy Voter Guide* booklet will provide non-partisan information on the candidates and elected offices, political parties, propositions and registering and voting for the June 8, 2010 State Primary Election. The *Easy Voter Guide* at www.easyvoter.org comes in seven languages and offers on-line videos about propositions.

