

SPRING 2009

POLL WORKER PRIDE



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GOVERNOR

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Ms. Sharon L. Harrington
Lee County Supervisor of Elections
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Dear Lee County Election Workers:

Thank you for your work on behalf of the People of Florida. During the 2008 Election Cycle, our state experienced record registration and historic voter turnout. As Governor, I was proud that our state conducted a fair, sound, and smooth, election. As a result of your hard work, the voters of Lee County received quick and courteous service and we are confident in the results recorded.

It is because of the commitment of citizens like you, our democracy can continue to thrive. Keep up the good work!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Charlie Crist".

Charlie Crist

For those of you that worked the 2008 elections, we would like to extend our sincere appreciation.

We are so proud of our poll workers!

Sharon L. Harrington

Supervisor of Elections

2009– 2010 MUNICIPAL ELECTION SCHEDULE

CITY OF CAPE CORAL	PRIMARY TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2009 *
CITY OF FORT MYERS	PRIMARY TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2009*
CITY OF CAPE CORAL	GENERAL TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2009
CITY OF FORT MYERS	GENERAL TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2009
CITY OF BONITA SPRINGS	PRIMARY TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2010
TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH	GENERAL TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2010
CITY OF BONITA SPRINGS	RUN-OFF TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2010

* If you received an Availability Card to work these 2009 elections, please note the primary election date has changed.

2009 POLL WORKER TRAINING

Training classes for the upcoming municipal elections will begin on August 24, 2009. All poll workers that will be assigned to work this year will receive a Poll Worker Assignment Card in July. It is very important that you look at your calendar as soon as this card arrives and mark down the date and time of your assigned class.



If we do not hear from you within 48 hours from the time you receive your card, we will assume there is no conflict in your schedule and you will be attending your class.

If you are unable to attend your scheduled class, it is your responsibility to call us immediately and inform us so that we may fill your vacancy. There will be very limited makeup classes scheduled. Once makeup classes are filled, we will not be offering additional classes. If you do not attend a training class, you will not be assigned to work the election.

Poll Worker training classes will last approximately 2-3 hours, depending on the position you are working. After the 2008 elections, we took out our pencils and paper and made some significant changes to the responsibilities of each poll worker position. In addition, we focused on streamlining some of our procedures. As a result, some positions have been eliminated and new ones have been created.

**Call 533-6900
immediately
if you cannot
attend your
scheduled
training class!**

POLL WORKER POSITIONS AND NEW PAY SCALE

Clerk (\$195.00)

- Responsible for managing the polling place and election board.
- Issues provisional ballots and ballots to voters requiring assistance in voting.
- Assists the Tab Inspector with voters requiring assistance
- Completes precinct reports

Assistant Clerk (\$165.00)

- Assists the Clerk with precinct reports
- Issues replacement ballots to voters that spoil a ballot
- Manages the Clerk's table when the Clerk is tending to other matters
- Relieves the Deputy for breaks

Tab Inspectors (\$160.00)

- Two Tab Inspectors are assigned to each precinct
- Responsible for opening and closing election equipment (scanner & ADA iVotronic)
- Monitors election equipment throughout the day
- Activates ballots on the ADA iVotronic unit
- Assists voters requiring assistance on the ADA iVotronic unit and paper ballots

Laptop Specialist (\$160.00)

- Looks up voters records in a laptop computer that contains a database of all Lee County voters to resolve voter situations that require more attention.
- Prints appropriate documentation as required by law.

Ballot Inspectors (\$140.00)

- Accounts for all ballots received and issued at the polling site on election day.
- Issues ballots to voters

Precinct Register Specialist (\$140.00)

- Uses a precinct register to sign in voters that are referred from the Check-In table that have a situation that requires more attention.

Register Inspectors (\$135.00)

- Checks in voters at the Check-In table.

Deputy (\$135.00)

- Maintains good order at the polling site



**Teamwork divides the task
and doubles the success**

ATTENTION FORMER SYSTEMS SPECIALISTS AND TAB INSPECTORS

Due to the changes made to the poll worker positions, Systems Specialists will be reassigned to work in the upcoming municipal elections either as a Laptop Specialist or a Tab Inspector. We ask that you work the position the Elections Office has assigned you throughout the municipal elections. If you would like to change your position after the municipal elections are over, we will consider changing your position after the elections.

Also, please be aware that there will be two Tab Inspectors assigned to each precinct to monitor the DS200 and ADA iVotronic on election day. Tab Inspectors will now be able to rotate their position throughout the day so that standing for long periods of time will not be necessary on election day.

If you have worked in the past as a Tab Inspector and feel working on the iVotronic is too technical of a position for you, please call the Elections Center. Perhaps you would like to try our new Precinct Register Specialist position.

We think you will be very pleased with the changes we have made this year. We look forward to seeing you at your scheduled training class!

POLL WORKER RECRUITMENT FOR 2010 ELECTIONS

Please remember to tell all your friends and neighbors that the Elections Office will be accepting applications for poll workers beginning July 2009.

An online orientation will be available at the:

Lee County Elections Center

13180 S Cleveland Ave., Fort Myers

Hours: 9:00am - 4:00pm

Days: Monday thru Friday

Orientation will last approximately one hour.

Thanks for all your help!

The staff at the Elections Center