

**APPLICATION TO BE CONSIDERED**

for serving as a Precinct Election  
Official in Buchanan County.

**Please Print.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

**HOW MAY WE REACH YOU?**

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**HOW ARE YOU REGISTERED?**

- Democrat
- Republican
- No Party

**WHICH ELECTIONS WOULD YOU  
LIKE TO WORK?**

- All
- General
- Primary
- School
- City
- Special

**COMPUTER (not a requirement)**

- Never Use
- Occasional User
- Every Day User

**WOULD YOU CONSIDER ANY OF THE  
FOLLOWING? (please circle response)**

Serve as Chairperson for your precinct?  
YES                      NO

Work outside your city/township precinct?  
YES                      NO

Ballot delivery to voters at Care Facilities?  
YES                      NO

Ballot delivery to voters hospitalized?  
YES                      NO

Absentee counting board?  
YES                      NO

**PLEASE RETURN TO:**

Cindy Gosse  
Buchanan County Auditor and  
Commissioner of Elections  
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**How can I  
become a  
Precinct  
Election  
Official?**



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## WHAT DOES A PRECINCT ELECTION OFFICIAL DO?

Elections are at the core of our system of government. Seeing to it that everyone's right to vote is protected and that we as people are protected against voter fraud. It is not a responsibility to be taken lightly.

Election board officials are paid and must be registered voters of Buchanan County. Your attendance must be dependable and work well with others. The work is pleasant and very rewarding.

The duties you would be responsible for are setting up equipment, determining the eligibility of voters, assisting the voters with the voting equipment, and completing the necessary paperwork at the end of the night when polls close.



We are prepared to give you the training, if you are prepared to take the responsibility.

### **Training**

- School of instructions are held periodically
- Individual training can be scheduled with the Auditor's office
- New workers receive on-the-job training from experienced workers
- A two hour paid training is mandatory prior to Primary and General Elections

### **Pay**

Pay is currently \$155.00 per day, mileage is reimbursed at the IRS rate, for over ten miles round trip.

### **When might I work?**

The Election Day begins at 6:00 am and ends between 8:30 pm and 9:30 pm, workers must remain at the polls at all times.

Depending on the availability of workers in your precinct, you may be called for any or all of the following:

**SCHOOL ELECTIONS** are held in September of odd numbered years. Polls are usually open 7:00 am to 8:00 pm.

**CITY ELECTIONS** are held in November of odd-numbered years. Polls are usually open 7:00 am to 8:00 pm.

**PRIMARY ELECTIONS** are held in June of even-numbered years. Polls are open 7:00 am to 9:00 pm.

**SPECIAL ELECTIONS** are called as necessary and are always held on Tuesdays. Polls are usually open 7:00 am to 8:00 pm.

**GENERAL ELECTIONS** are held in November of even-numbered years. Polls are open 7:00 am to 9:00 pm.