STUDENT ELECTION PROGRAM
Leadership. Education. Job Skills.

Student Election Leadership Program Curriculum:

Our Goals:
1. Provide an opportunity for high school students to learn how elections are conducted in Maricopa County and how they can participate on campus and in their community
2. Increase program participation by inspiring a generation of future voters
3. Students become leaders by educating others in their school and communities (growing public speaking and interpersonal skills)

Arizona State Civics and Writing Standards Compliance:
- HS.C2.1 Explain the importance of individual participation in civic and political institutions
- HS.C4.3 Explain the procedures for elections at the local, state, tribal, and national levels
- 11-12.W4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience

Program Timeline: (duration based on the student's completion of activities and in submitting a final 500-word essay)
- Program Launch: May 2023
- Program Start and End Dates: Determined by the student, teacher, parent, or guardian

Maricopa County Elections Responsibilities:
- Provide guidance and resources to students and educators as requested
- Conduct tours of the Maricopa County Tabulation and Election Center (MCTEC), **when available**
    - 15-person minimum and 45-person maximum capacity/tour (dates TBD)
- Provide a certificate of completion signed by the Maricopa County Elections Director for students who fulfilled the requirements of the Student Election Leadership aspect of the program
- Evaluate and award the top three students in the essay competition with a certificate of award signed by the Maricopa County Manager
    - three winners per semester; January - May 15th and August - December 15th
- Train students interested in becoming a paid Student Election Clerk (starting 45 days prior to Election Day)

High School Educator or Home School Parent Responsibilities:
- Share the Student Election Program opportunity with students
- Monitor the activity of students involved in the program and what they have accomplished
- Notify Maricopa County Elections of the students who have completed the required activities (name/school)

High School Student Responsibilities:

- Complete four election activities provided from this list
- Accurately report completed activities to educator and parent/guardian
- Complete a 500 word or more essay on what they have learned about elections after completing four election activities. Submit the essay online using the link provided by Maricopa County Elections
- Complete more than five election activities for possible additional volunteer and/or course credit

A suggested completion timeline could look like this:

- Week 1 – activity #1 (45 minutes)
- Week 2 – activity #2 (90 minutes)
- Week 3 – activity #3 (90 minutes)
- Week 4 – activity #4 and #5 (120 minutes)

Please note that students can complete any activity at their pace and in the order they choose with the exception of the final essay. The final essay activity should be completed after four other election activities have been completed first. The essay contents should be based on what they have learned in the program.

Activity Log:

Students can submit a summary of the actions they have completed to their educator, parent/guardian. The summary should include information on activities and events that students attended or participated in, and other actions completed.

Maricopa County Elections	Student Task	School Task	Date Completed
Activity #1 (choose one video) • 45-minute virtual workshop	View one prerecorded virtual workshop. This is a self-paced activity. Videos can be found on Youtube.com\MaricopaVote or by clicking here.	Educator/parent/ guardian to confirm student completed activity.	
Activity #2 (choose one video) • 90-minute virtual seminar	View one prerecorded virtual seminar. This is a self-paced activity. Videos can be found on Youtube.com\MaricopaVote or by clicking here.	Educator/parent/ guardian to confirm student completed activity.	

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Activity #3 • 90-minute tour of the Maricopa County Elections facility (when available, dates TBD)	This is a scheduled in-person activity held at the Maricopa County Elections and Tabulation Center located at 510 S 3rd Ave, Phoenix 85003. Tour dates TBD.	Educator/parent/guardian/student to select from available dates and RSVP to Outreach@Maricopa.Gov.	
Activity #4 • Hold a 1-hour school event; distribute the Student Election Program flyers to recruit other students	This is an in-person activity held at the students' school during lunch hour or other predetermined date/time.	Educator/student to determine date/time and obtain necessary prior administrative approval. Educator to confirm student completed activity.	
Activity #5 • Complete a 500 or more word essay on what you have learned from your election activities	The essay must be completed after the student completes 4 other Maricopa County Elections activities provided from this list. Essays must be submitted online via Office Forms using the link provided by Maricopa County Elections. All submitted essays will automatically be entered into the essay contest. This is a self-paced activity.	Educator/parent/guardian to confirm student completed and submitted their essay.	
Activity #6 • Participate in a one-hour Voter Outreach community event	This is an in-person activity held at a scheduled community event or festival held on a weekend day at a predetermined date/time. Voter Outreach events are listed here.	Educator/parent guardian/student to select from available dates and RSVP to Outreach@Maricopa.Gov.	
Activity #7 (choose videos) • 45-minute virtual workshop • 90-minute virtual seminar • 15-minute Election Connection • 2-minute Phil the Ballot shorts	View additional prerecorded election education videos. This is a self-paced activity. Videos can be found on YouTube.com\MaricopaVote or by clicking here.	Educator/parent/guardian to confirm student completed activity.	