



Seeking Election Judges for City of Northfield

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The City of Northfield is seeking interested individuals to serve as election judges for the Primary Election on August 14, 2018 and the General Election on November 6, 2018. Election judges administer election procedures in polling places and ensure that voters' rights are protected and respected on Election Day. Election judges receive pay for their services, unless they choose to serve as volunteers. By law, employers must give election judges time off from work to serve. In addition to serving on Election Day, judges must complete required training that will be approximately two hours in length. Election judges may serve all day (approximately 6 am – close) or a half day shift (6am – 2 pm or 2 pm – close).

To be an election judge, individuals must be eligible to vote in Minnesota on Election Day; and be able to read, write and speak English. There are restrictions on having relatives serve together as election judges. A relative is defined as a spouse, parent, stepparent, child, stepchild, sibling, or stepsibling. Relatives cannot serve together in the same precinct at the same time. In addition, relatives of a candidate, and anyone who temporarily or permanently lives in the same house as a candidate, cannot serve in the precinct where the candidate is on the ballot.

Election judges should enjoy assisting people, communicate clearly, and demonstrate impartiality and professionalism when serving voters. Minnesota voters, regardless of their political party affiliation, if any, can apply to serve. Election judge applications are available on the Elections & Voter Information page of the City's website:

<https://weblink.ci.northfield.mn.us/Forms/JudgeApplication>

For more information, contact City Clerk Deb Little at 507-645-3001 or Deb.Little@ci.northfield.mn.us

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