

# Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors Proclamation

PROCLAIMING  
SEPTEMBER 18-29, 2017, AS  
HIGH SCHOOL VOTER EDUCATION WEEKS  
IN SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Santa Cruz County Clerk and the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors are committed to strengthening democracy by encouraging voter registration and increasing participation in all elections by all eligible citizens; and

WHEREAS, young people play a critical role in our democracy by helping to choose the people who will lead us and by voicing their opinions on the issues that are important to them; and

WHEREAS, 16- and 17-year olds can now pre-register to vote and then automatically become active voters once they turn 18; and

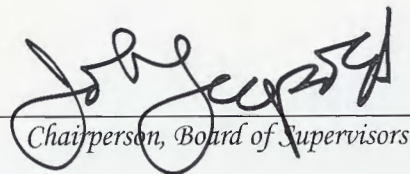
WHEREAS, high schools are encouraged to offer voter registration to eligible students with either paper registration applications or a link on their high school websites to the Secretary of State's online voter registration application; and

WHEREAS, high school administrators are encouraged to name one or more students as voter outreach coordinators to encourage student voter registration during High School Voter Education Weeks; and

WHEREAS, students are encouraged to contribute in our democracy through civics and voter education programs, serving as poll workers and by encouraging their peers, family members, and communities to register to vote and to participate in elections.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Leopold, Chair of the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim September 18–29, 2017, as High School Voter Education Weeks and encourage all schools in Santa Cruz County to participate.



  
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*Chairperson, Board of Supervisors*

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September 1, 2017  
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