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County Clerk/Registrar of Voters (CC/ROV) Memorandum #23070

- TO: All County Clerks/Registrars of Voters
- FROM: /s/ Valerie Spake Election Analyst
- RE: Voter Education and Outreach: High School Voter Education Weeks, September 18-29, 2023

California Education Code section 49040(a) designates the last two weeks in April and September as High School Voter Education Weeks. This provides an opportunity for high schools and their students to partner with county elections officials to promote civic education and participation. As elections officials prepare for local elections and the March 5, 2024, Presidential Primary Election, now is a great time to encourage students to pre-register to vote and become engaged and active in their communities.

California Secretary of State Shirley N. Weber, Ph.D., in partnership with California Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond, issued a <u>letter</u> encouraging schools to invite students to participate in our democracy. You can also view the Secretary of State's <u>resolution</u> online, encouraging all California high schools to participate in High School Voter Education Weeks, September 18-29, 2023. Please feel free to use this resolution as a tool to gain support and recognition from your Board of Supervisors or County Board of Education.

If you have questions about this or any other outreach related matter, please contact Jannell Jackson at sosoutreach@sos.ca.gov or (916) 584-3538.