The 2020 California Student Mock Election is on Tuesday, October 6!

Join Us!
The 2020 California Student Mock Election helps young people discover the importance of elections and the power of their votes in our democracy. It gives high school and middle school students firsthand experience with the electoral process by giving them a chance to make their voices heard on the candidates and issues important to them and their families.

Here’s How
Schools need to select a Mock Election Coordinator and register their school at www.sos.ca.gov/elections/studentmockelection.htm. The Coordinator serves as the school’s primary contact to receive and distribute updates on the Student Mock Election to participating teachers, and report the final schoolwide vote tally to the Secretary of State’s office.

The mock election could become a project for the student government, by itself or with other student groups. Or it might involve a broader committee of students, teachers, parents and community volunteers. Voting can take place in classrooms or in one central location on campus. Schools decide on the location and add their own creative touches to make their mock election a rewarding experience.

Tools and Resources
Engaging, standards-based lesson plans and activities, selected for the Student Mock Election by the Constitutional Rights Foundation on behalf of the California Campaign for the Civic Mission of Schools, can help teachers prepare their students to become informed and involved voters. The following mock election tools and resources will be available this summer on the 2020 California Student Mock Election web page at www.sos.ca.gov/elections/studentmockelection.htm:

• Standards-based lessons and activities
• Ballots, posters and “I Voted” stickers
• The Secretary of State’s Official Voter Information Guide (early fall)
• Links to other election-related resources

2020 Key Dates
September 16 Schools registered by this date may request a mock election tool kit by mail
September 17 Schools registered on or after this date print materials from website
September 30 Last day for schools to register for the 2020 California Student Mock Election
October 1 First day for schools to enter voting results
October 6 Mock Election Day
October 7 Announcement of statewide results
November 3 California General Election