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## **Savings bond program promotes youth election workers**

LINCOLN – Nebraska youth ages 14 to 18 who serve as election workers during the May 9 primary election are eligible to participate in a drawing for five \$50 savings bonds.

The program is sponsored by Nebraska Secretary of State John Gale and the Nebraska Bankers Association.

“Getting young people involved in the election process is critical to the health of our democratic system,” Gale said. “Hopefully, this program will encourage young people to sign up to help on Election Day.”

County election officials are required to have poll workers in place by April 24 for the primary election. Youths interested in serving as paid workers or volunteers need to contact their county clerk or county election commissioner by that date. Youth organizations seeking community service also are encouraged to apply.

Each youth participant will receive a letter of commendation from Gale.

The Nebraska Bankers Association will purchase the savings bonds for those chosen in the drawing. Winners will be selected from each of the five regions across the state corresponding with the Nebraska Association of County Officials’ district organization: Northeast, Southeast, Central, West Central and Panhandle.

A youth must serve a minimum of four hours on Election Day to qualify for the drawing of the saving bonds.

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