



Hazen High School seniors Carli Sowder (left) and Abbey Capistran assist a voter with a provisional ballot at Hazelwood Elementary School on Election Day.

Hazen High School students contribute to the democratic process on Election Day

More than 140 Hazen students act as poll workers during historic election

RENTON, WA—Election Day, November 4, 2008—More than 140 Hazen High School seniors learned lessons of democracy today while working at polling places in Renton schools and throughout south King County.

The students, under the guidance of Hazen teacher Brett Crueger, worked as poll workers as part of the King County's Youth with a Vision program. Crueger wanted the students to experience poll voting during elections while getting a better understanding of how elections operate.



Hazen seniors Jaime Chon (left) and Johnny Sor sort through voter names at Campbell Hill during Election Day.

The students took a training course on their own time to work at the polls and received community service credits for their 16-hour day.

Hazen students were assigned to assist voters with provisional ballots. Those ballots are given to voters who are voting at a precinct other than their own or who have misplaced their absentee ballot and come to vote at a polling place.

Hazen High signed up more than double the number of students for the program than any other high school in the county.

This was the last chance for students to work at polling

places. According to the King County Elections Office this is the final election that poll voting will be offered.