

Date of Hearing: May 11, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
SCR 128 (Pérez) – As Amended April 27, 2026

SENATE VOTE: 36-0

SUBJECT: High School Voter Education Weeks.

SUMMARY: Declares Monday, April 13, 2026, to Friday, April 24, 2026, inclusive, as High School Voter Education Weeks; and, encourages local educational agencies to provide digital and physical resources necessary to provide this information. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Pursuant to Section 49040 of the Education Code, the last two full weeks in April are known as “high school voter education weeks,” during which time persons authorized by the county elections official are allowed to register pupils and school personnel on any high school campus.
- 2) California is committed to fostering civic engagement and increasing voter participation among youth.
- 3) Young people, who represent the next generation of voters and leaders, remain a largely underrepresented group by exhibiting the lowest rates of voter turnout among age groups, and, more broadly, low levels of general civic engagement.
- 4) The COVID-19 pandemic, occurring for today’s young people in the midst of essential stages of adolescent development, has created an ethos of disconnection and societal apathy which voids the singular mechanism on which civic engagement and participation in democracy hinge.
- 5) Young people should be met in their educational environments, and be provided, with the history, knowledge, and resources to engage in the democratic process, for the purposes of revitalizing community ethos and promoting the importance of civic engagement.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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