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MEDIA ADVISORY

Secretary of State Alex Padilla to Visit El Camino Fundamental High School in Sacramento

SACRAMENTO – Secretary of State Alex Padilla continues [High School Voter Education Weeks](#) (September 17-28) with a visit to [El Camino Fundamental High School](#) in Sacramento.

Secretary Padilla will discuss the importance of voting and the role young people can play in shaping the future through civic participation. Secretary of State staff will help students register and pre-register to vote.

As the November 6, 2018 General Election is fast approaching, students turning 18 on or before November 6 will have an opportunity to register and cast their first ballot this fall. 16- and 17-year-olds can pre-register to vote, and have their registration automatically activated when they turn 18.

Earlier this year, Secretary Padilla launched a High School Civic Engagement Portal, [HighSchool.sos.ca.gov](#). High school students can learn more about pre-registration, find out how to be a student poll worker, get resources to host a Student Mock Election on their campus, and learn how to organize voter registration drives on their campuses during High School Voter Education Weeks.

The California Education Code designates the last two full weeks in April and September to be High School Voter Education Weeks. This provides an opportunity for high schools and their students to partner with elections officials to promote civic education and participation on campus and foster an environment that cultivates lifelong voters and active citizens.

***Media wishing to attend should RSVP to sos.press@sos.ca.gov**

WHO: California Secretary of State Alex Padilla

WHEN: Tuesday, September 18, 2018
9:20 AM

WHERE: 4300 El Camino Ave
Sacramento, CA 95821

VISUALS: Assembly and rally with Secretary of State Padilla and students.

Voter registration drive, with students using tablets and paper forms to register to vote.

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