

# PROMOTE the VOTE



## 2015 Theme: "If I Were Elected..."

To explore the statutory job responsibilities of the top eight statewide elected officials in Mississippi; and to examine the statutory authority and political influence these elected individuals can use to effect change in Mississippi.

*(Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, Treasurer, Auditor, Commissioner of Agriculture, and Commissioner of Insurance)*

## 2015 MOCK ELECTION

**Mock Election:** Students will vote for the top eight statewide elected officials in Mississippi: Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, Treasurer, Auditor, Commissioner of Agriculture, and Commissioner of Insurance. Voting opens October 1. Results must be turned into the PTV office by noon on October 29.

**Mock Election Ballot:** A downloadable, one-sheet Mock Election ballot is posted to the PTV website to enable teachers to give students the opportunity to vote in the Mock Election on a document similar in format to what is used in the 2015 General Election. Teachers will then tally and transmit their classroom/school vote totals via email to the Secretary of State's Office to be included in the statewide Mock Election results. Email results – identifying your school, class (if applicable) and submitting teacher to: [PTV@sos.ms.gov](mailto:PTV@sos.ms.gov).

**Schoolwide Participation:** We encourage all Mississippi public school district as well as all private schools to encourage participation in the Promote the Vote Mock Election by all students in every school, rather than offering the opportunity only in specific classrooms or grade levels. Just as increased voter participation is needed in regular elections to insure the voice of the people is accurately reflected at the ballot box, all students should be encourage to participate in the student Mock Election. In doing so, educators will be able to emphasize the importance for all citizens to exercise their right to vote.