

## Guidelines for Face2Face Attendees and Candidates - General Election 2020

Candidates and attendees must RSVP so that we may allocate volunteers and table facilitators appropriately. RSVPs can be submitted through the <u>LWV Kent website</u>.

To participate in this event, candidates must be present and represent themselves.

To maintain the non-partisan nature of this event, candidates and audience members may not wear campaign buttons, hats, or other similar items during the program. Candidates are not to distribute campaign materials during the event.

Each candidate will be given 2 minutes at the beginning of the event to give opening remarks to the entire audience. Face2Face is not a debate format, it is a format that focuses on small group discussion driven by voters. As such, candidates are to remain muted during the opening statements of other candidates.

Candidates are to follow the rotation schedule of the day. For our virtual event, The League of Women Voters of Kent will manage assignments to the different breakout rooms. Attendees will be divided into breakout rooms once discussions begin and will remain in their small groups throughout the duration of the event.

Breakout rooms will have facilitators whose role is to keep conversations going and help with the flow of the event. Since small group discussions are limited in time, we ask that attendees keep questions concise and allow for others to ask questions as well.

The League reserves the right to publicize the forum, and may, at its option, invite the media or some other entity not associated with any of the candidates or campaigns to provide televised, radio, or other coverage of the forum. If the event is taped or transcribed, participants in the forum agree that copyright ownership of the tapes or transcripts resides with the League of Women Voters of Kent. The candidates agree that they, their organizations, and their supporters will not use the forum, portions of the forum or any audio clips, video clips or transcripts for political advertising, or other purposes without written permission from the League of Women Voters of Kent. For this election's Face2Face, we will not be taping or recording the event given that the Face2Face format does not lend itself to recording and publishing within FCC guidelines for debates and forums of candidates for public office.

League of Women Voters of Kent is proud to be nonpartisan, neither supporting nor opposing candidates or political parties at any level of government, but always working on vital issues of concern to members and the public. The League of Women Voters of Kent is committed to the core values of diversity, equity and inclusion. We will continue to grow a diverse organization of shared power that considers and values all perspectives expressed when making decisions. We are creating a community of respect, celebration, and empowerment which enables all people to influence the government through active participation in the political process.

