

Voter Services Update – November 2024

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As committee co-chairs, we'd like to thank all our members for the work they've done to help us prepare for the 2024 election. Here are the events we've offered since August:

- Election Integrity presentation with Green Bay's City Clerk Celestine Jeffreys, in collaboration with the YWCA
- State candidate interview, in collaboration with Joshua for Justice, which can be found on our YouTube channel: [LWVGGB YouTube Videos](#)
- VOTE NO video for the November constitutional amendment
- Voter education session with St. Paul's United Women of Faith
- Voter registration at Green Bay West High School
- Voter registration at Ashwaubenon High School
- Voter registration at De Pere High School
- Voter registration at The Meadows North Senior Living in Green Bay, and Parkview Apartments Senior Living in Oconto Falls
- Voter Education with an Arts & Democracy class at St. Norbert College

We had requests from several other schools to do voter registration, but they came too close to the 20-day deadline for early registration. I let the schools know that we would be happy to work with them in the future – they just need to reach out sooner so we can coordinate the volunteers. We've also had discussions within Voter Services about creating a Voter Registration training video that we could share with high school librarians, allowing them to assist their students at any time.

I (Dawn) was lucky to be able to attend the voter registration events at The Meadows and Parkview Apartments, where I registered at least 15 voters between both locations. I also had a good conversation with the apartment coordinator who said she has a relationship with ten other coordinators at low-income senior housing facilities. We discussed the League providing these facilities with welcome bags for new residents, with information on changing one's address, registering to vote, and finding a polling location. Voter Services has discussed this in the past and, with the general election behind us, this is a project we'll be working on.

In spring we'll have a very important state Supreme Court election and local school board elections; we'll need to start planning for them. We'd also like to put a renewed focus on the National Popular Vote work the League has done, and we'd like to start researching Automatic Voter Registration to better understand how we might best advocate for this in Wisconsin.

We've worked really hard this past year, and we've accomplished a lot. But the general election being over does not mean our work is finished. Our committee is going to take off the month of November to recover from the election, and then in December we're going to meet and start talking about our plan for the upcoming year.

We welcome all League members to join us, even if you just want to see what we're about.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, December 5, in the Board Room at the Brown County Central Library (upstairs) at 6:00 p.m. No need to RSVP – just join us.