



PRESS RELEASE: LWV of the Ripon Area *Instilling Civic Values*

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League of Women Voters of the Ripon Area
Raising Good Citizens Doesn't Happen by Chance

Ripon, WI –Just like we teach children to brush their teeth, eat healthy foods, exercise, and get enough sleep, we also need to help them develop the knowledge, skills, and motivation to participate in civic life. Raising good citizens doesn't happen by chance. On September 16 2021, at 7:00pm join the League of Women Voters of the Ripon Area [Ripon Channel youtube page](#) or the LWV of the Ripon Area Facebook page to learn about a program partnership in Minnesota which is providing information on civic life. Questions will be asked through a chat function.

The YMCA Center for Youth Voice has developed cause-driven leaders through programs and experiences that build character and confidence. Come learn about a possible new partnership between the YMCA Center for Youth Voice and the Wisconsin Alliance of YMCAs, including information on how you and your organization can help increase participation and impact in Wisconsin Youth in Government.

The presentation, *Instilling Civic Values in Young People*, will be led by Amy Anderson, Executive Director of the YMCA Center for Youth Voice. The Center was created to help build civic literacy and provide leadership experiences for the next generation of K-12 students. LWV of the Ripon area is ready and available to provide information for youth to register to vote. If you are interested in understanding the process of registration please email lwvriponarea@gmail.com

Amy has more than 20 years of experience in management roles helping organizations achieve their objectives. Her work has included managing teams of program consultants who worked with K-12 schools nationwide to reduce their energy use and costs; designing and leading executive leadership cohorts with K-12 administrators, as well as facilitating workshops on effective school board governance; and working as the director of marketing for the University of Minnesota. Amy has a M.A. from the University of St. Thomas and a B.A. from the College of St. Benedict.

The League of Women Voters, a non-partisan political organization, encourages the informed and active participation of citizens in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy. The League was founded in 1920 by Carrie Chapman Catt who was born in Ripon, Wisconsin.

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