



## **LWVAA Feb 13 Positions & Priorities Meeting**

New to the League? Wanting to learn more about the League's positions on issues? Once a year we gather - this year virtually - to review the League's Positions and Priorities.

The League's Positions on issues - from government to social justice and the environment - underlie all League advocacy. Without a position, we cannot take action on behalf of the League.

Last year we reviewed the LWVUS positions. This year we'll review a subset of the LWV Ohio positions under the umbrella of Social Policy, specifically Juvenile Justice, Primary and Secondary Education and Higher Education. Below is a 1-paragraph summary of each of these positions. To review all LWV Ohio positions, click here.

Our review can lead to studies and ultimately position revisions that, if supported by the membership and other Ohio leagues, can result in a vote at the LWV Ohio convention in May. This is grassroots democracy at its best.

This meeting is open to members and their guests who must register in advance.

### **Date and Time**

Sat, February 13, 2021 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM EST Click here to register Add to Calendar

#### Location

Online Event - link will be sent to registered attendees 48 hours before the event

We will be using the Microsoft Teams platform for this event. If you've been on Zoom, you'll find that Teams has a similar look and feel. Teams performs best when launched from the Chrome browser. If you've never been on Teams, you'll be asked to download the app when you join the meeting, or you can stay in the browser.

## **Primary and Secondary Education**

Support the use of public funds only for public schools. Support an elected State Board of Education whose responsibility is policy making/planning. Support state education standards as a method of attaining a high- quality education. Support state funding for education that guarantees a realistic and equitable level of per- pupil expenditures, and support local school districts assuming a reasonable share of the financial burden.

## **Higher Education**

Support funding by the state to ensure that all Ohio citizens have access to higher education that provides general education and job preparation. Support Board of Regents, appointed by the Governor with confirmation by the Senate, to be a planning, coordinating board with broad policy-making powers.

### **Juvenile Justice**

Support community-based, least restrictive placement; rights and humane treatment of children who are juvenile offenders; alternative educational services; gender-specific treatment programs; unbiased treatment regardless of race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, disability, religion, or socio-economic status; statewide uniform standards for dealing with juvenile records. Oppose holding children in adult jails.

# YOUTH IN ACTION MEETING

**Exclusively For Ages 13-25 Years Old** 

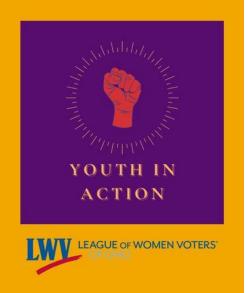
Sunday, February 7 -- Noon

**Featuring:** Jen Miller, Executive Director League of Women Voters Ohio



Learn how YIA will drive **Social Justice** and **Diversity**, **Equity**, and **Inclusion** efforts throughout the League... and Ohio.

Register: bit.ly/YIAMeeting



## Join LWVO for the first Youth in Action

Join us Sunday, February 7th at noon for the first Youth in Action meeting of the year! Youth in Action (YIA) is a recent addition to LWVO, and aimed at providing youth (ages 13-25) an empowering space to learn and participate in dialogue centered on becoming civically engaged. YIA will use a social-justice oriented framework for civic engagement and promote growth through personal exploration and socially responsible leadership. YIA plans to meet twice a month and will cover a variety of topics, including: advocacy, government and leadership, community engagement, women's rights issues, and much more!

**Speaking at our first meeting is LWVO Executive Director, Jen Miller!** As we introduce attendees to the YIA and the League, Jen will be joining us to educate on the current concerns and practices of the League and the future impact YIA will have on these practices.

If you are interested in taking part in this exciting, new addition to the League, please fill out the YIA Interest Form. Feel free to share this email with anyone who may be interested! If you have any questions, please reach out to intern Kaiyah Taylor at taylor.3470@osu.edu.

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**About LWVO Executive Director, Jen Miller** 

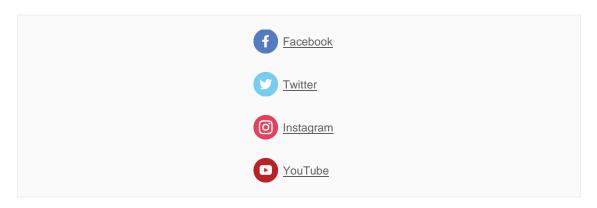


Raised in small town Ohio, Jen Miller comes to the League from the Sierra Club, where she has served in various capacities since 2008, most recently as Executive Director. For nearly twenty years, Miller has worked with diverse communities to promote social and environmental justice through positions with Columbus Rec and Parks, the King Arts Complex, Global Gallery, and OSU.

Miller earned her Master's in Arts Policy, Education and Administration, a program of the John Glenn School of Public Affairs at Ohio State. She holds Bachelor's degrees in Vocal Music and History and Ethnic Studies from Capital University. Miller is a graduate of the US Department of Energy NREL Leadership Academy.

Inspiring others to participate in civic engagement is her deepest passion. She is a jazz singer and proud mother of one daughter.









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