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VOTE411.org

See your personalized ballot, check your polling location, find an online voter guide and much more at VOTE411.org that you can find [here](#).

[Go to the League website](#) for important dates and more information.



The League urges you to vote "Yes" on Issues 10, 11 and 12.

Solidify ethics enforcement in Cuyahaoga County by voting "yes" on Issues 10, 11 and 12. Read the Cleveland.com opinion piece by LWVGC co-presidents, Audrey Morris and Susan Murnane, [here](#). For an in-depth discussion of these issues, view the video of the League-sponsored forum [here](#).

Empowering League's voice on high-stakes testing

Currently, League does not have positions to address the use of high-stakes testing and accountability in K-12 education, measures which have been found by many experts to be damaging to

students, teachers, schools, even whole communities, and thus educational quality. This growing concern inspired a small committee of LWVGC members to put together a concurrence proposal, based mainly on LWV of Pennsylvania positions. Last week, the LWVGC board approved distribution of this proposal to local Leagues throughout the state for consideration at this winter's program planning meetings and ultimately at the 2019 LWVO convention in May.

In brief, the concurrence proposal endorses the use of multiple assessments and states how standardized assessments should be developed, how such tests should be used, how they should not be used, and how to protect student privacy and rights. A document containing complete proposal language along with some background and rationale can be found [here](#).

Membership, Leadership and Development

LWVGC is working to create student LWV chapters at local colleges/universities. If anyone has ties to any area colleges/universities where we might pursue student involvement in the League, please contact Lauren Orrico at lorrico@lwvgreatercleveland.org.

Also, look for an online survey coming soon that will help League leadership more fully understand and utilize its membership.

Upcoming forums - all are free and open to the public

The Election's Over: What did the voters say?

Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at 7pm

InfoCision Stadium Welcome Center, 5th floor auditorium
University of Akron
375 E Exchange Street
Akron, 44304

A panel of experts will analyze the results of the 2018 midterm elections and what can be expected regarding voting rights and other issues based on the composition of the houses of government.

Moderator: **M.L. Schultze**, former WKSU news director

Panelists:

Dr. John Green, University of Akron,

Greg Moore, Former Director, NAACP National Voter Fund

Michael Douglas, Editorial Editor, *Akron Beacon Journal*

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Chronic Pain in the Post-Opioid Era

Thursday November 15, 2018 at 6:30 pm

Lakewood Main Library
15425 Detroit Road
Lakewood, 44107

Moderator: *Brie Zeltner, The Plain Dealer*

Panelists:

Dr. Adam Hedaya, Founder, Cleveland Pain Care

Larry Herbert, patient

Dr. Theodore Parran Jr., Co-Medical Director and Educator,
Rosary Hall, St. Vincent Charity Medical Center and CWRU School
of Medicine

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Plastics and Lake Erie

Tuesday December 4, 2018 at 7:00 pm

Rocky River Library
1600 Hampton Road
Rocky River, 44116

Moderator: **Elizabeth Miller**, Environmental Reporter, Ideastream

Panelists:

Jill Bartolotta, Extension Educator, Ohio Sea Grant College
Program

Crystal M.C. Davis, Policy Director, Alliance for the Great Lakes

Erin D. Huber, Executive Director and Founder, Drink Local Drink
Tap

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