



# *Board of Elections* WARREN COUNTY

## THE PEO CONNECTION

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### November General Election

As you probably know, our new Tenex ePollbooks allow us to securely connect these tablets to our office through a VPN connection and an enhanced firewall. In this way, we can monitor turnout/ballot supply but it cannot transmit individual voter information. We have worked directly with the Department of Homeland Security and the Ohio Secretary of State Head of Cybersecurity to guarantee that we are completely compliant with the required security.

At no time are the ClearBallot voting machines allowed to communicate with our office. They do not have the capability to connect to the internet. ClearBallot sent their equipment to an independent laboratory for radio wave penetration testing and proved that there is no possibility to remotely hack into the tabulation equipment. We feel confident the elections in Ohio are safe and accurate. Please contact us if you have any questions about this.

**Next Election: May 3rd, 2022 (Primary Election)**

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Thank you to all of our amazing Pollworkers. They are the face of the Board of Elections on Election Day and we are proud of them. It makes me happy to hear of new friendships made, and old friendships kept. I am honored to work with you all.

- Joy Day, Republican Poll Worker Coordinator

The voters of Warren County were welcomed to the polls on Tuesday, November 2nd by Pollworkers who were trained in Ohio's election laws, all focused on one thing: preserving the integrity of the election process and providing an election that our voters know is fair and true. I am especially proud of our team, whom I feel went forth with an amazing attitude, respect, and knowledge necessary to create an environment that was welcoming and safe for all. Staffing an election during a global pandemic is no small feat, and they answered the call with bravery and determination so that the people's voice would be heard.

And it was.

We salute each and every one of them, and the ones who came before them, for their commitment and hard work for our democracy. Thank you.

- Dee Hudson, Democratic Poll Worker Coordinator

From our Southwest Church  
Location Coordinator:  
"Everyone did an excellent job  
and got along great!!"

From Deardorf Senior Center:  
"Amanda (our Troubleshooter)  
was fantastic!"

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## Election Night Stats

First precinct back was Lebanon Countryside YMCA at 8:19 p.m.

Last precinct came back at 9:31 p.m.

Percentage of registered voters who voted in this election: 25.1%



### Slowest Precincts

Turtlecreek Twp L - Pct 221 at Armco  
6.8% turnout

Franklin City E - Pct 5 at Franklin Library  
7.18% turnout

### Busiest Precincts

Deerfield Twp O - Pct 115 Abiding Word  
36.69% turnout

Deerfield Twp N - Pct 114 King of Kings  
34.22% turnout



Members of Project Search working as interns for the Board of Elections on Election Day. For more information about Project Search, see Page 5.



As a reminder, we ask that everyone working the ePollbook log in as the operator. When you go on break and someone else processes voters through the ePollbook, we ask you to log off and for them to log on as the operator. We are going to have a contest next election for the PEOs who correctly process the most voters and the least amount of time processing each voter by location. We will announce the winners after the next election in our newsletter.

Stay tuned...

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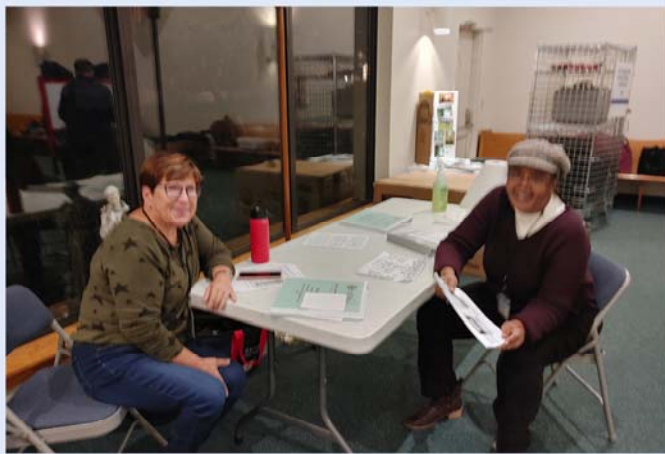
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Pollworkers at St. Francis Episcopal Church had some photos to share - a great crew for precincts 62, 82, and 94 made the long day easier.

Thank you to all our Pollworkers!



"Colin was GRRRRREEEAT!!!  
Please keep him here!"

- *Little Miami Intermediate*

Meredith at Clearcreek Chapel did a  
great job on rabbit duty!

R.I.P., Roger.

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### Project Search

Project Search is a program that places students and recent graduates with disabilities into internship positions. Since the November 2020 election, we have been able to work with several interns who have assisted us in covering the election workload. We're grateful for their assistance on our busiest days of the year.



Lauren (left), Justin (center), and Ricky (right) handled clerical duties such as sanitizing, greeting, and handling supplies.

“Adair Stone was amazing, and extremely helpful! Also, three VLM’s were standouts, and I relied upon them throughout the day: Gary Kuntz, Andrew Rainey [and] Paul Fornshell. The other folks were all terrific people, and worked well together.”

- Kai Zacharias, Faith Building Church Location

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## A Note from Brian and Shari

More changes usually mean more challenges, but you all proved again that flexibility is a key attribute in our amazing Precinct Election Officials. With our new ePollbooks, we hope you found that the changes made your days smoother! We heard from many of you that this software is more intuitive so the screen prompts made processing voters fast and efficient. Thanks for your willingness to learn new equipment (again!). We would love for the November 2, 2021 election to set the standard for many more years and we can spend time just improving things for you.

Speaking of improving things, we read all the comments that come in from Election Day and take those ideas into consideration. If you didn't get a chance to comment or something comes to mind, please don't hesitate to reach out to us. Feel free to use the office email address below. Although we can't incorporate all requests, we do want to show you that we are listening and take your advice seriously. If you have specific voter questions while working Election Day, please call our office. We want to give you the right answer so we serve voters the best way possible. If you want to make a note on the Election Log about a voter problem, please give us as much information as possible so we can follow up with the voter after the election.

Thanks again for your help and service to the voters of Warren County. We appreciate how hard you work!

- *Brian and Shari*



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## Our Mission

**"To recruit and train the best Precinct Election Officials who are committed to serve voters and protect the integrity of the Election."**

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