



LWVAL Charter Schools Study Instructions to Local Leagues and Discussion Leaders

Local Leagues who are participating in the study are encouraged to do the following:

1. Ask your members to begin reading the excellent Facts and Issues, which is available LWVAL website (<http://www.lwval.org>). Refer to it in your Voter, at meetings, on your website, Facebook, Twitter, and/or other means of reaching your members.
2. Make these questions available asap to your members, so that they can begin to think about the issues as they read the Facts and Issues, and hear about the topic in the media.
3. We know the list is long, but the issue is multi-faceted. Please allow enough time to complete the consensus process. If you are new to the consensus process, please download the instructions on how to do a consensus study, including holding the meeting which determines whether the League comes to consensus and how to write up the consensus. This information is available on the LWVUS website at www.lwv.org.
4. All local league reports regarding the consensus are due absolutely no later than March 1, 2012. This is because the LWVAL study committee needs to compile the data from the local leagues, and determine whether the LWVAL can come to consensus, and exactly what points should be included in our position statement.
5. You will need a recorder (scribe, and maybe a cassette recorder as well!) to use during the consensus meeting. Local Leagues will be provided a sheet to use when going through the consensus process on this issue. Please use this form during the meeting, and be sure its results are sent to the LWVAL by March 1st.