



League of Women Voters
of Illinois

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Dear League Leaders:

The League of Women Voters of Illinois **Charter Schools Position Update Committee** has been hard at work researching, creating, and debating questions to address a variety of issues regarding charter schools – ranging from Authorization to Zero tolerance discipline, with consideration for policies which might apply to all public schools, including charters.

An initial study document and questions and consensus form have now been completed and are attached to this e-mail. The committee will be working over the summer to prepare additional study resources which will be forwarded sometime in September. Also, look for updates in upcoming issues of the E-News.

As a reminder, the timeline:

June, 2014: LWVIL distributes overview with resources to local Leagues so that local committees can plan how to study the issues. Local League members are encouraged to visit principals and superintendents of public schools during the summer – when they might have more time - to discuss issues raised in the study.

September, 2014: LWVIL sends the complete study kit to local Leagues

January 31, 2015: Consensus reports from local Leagues due to LWVIL

March, 2015: State Board votes on the updated position

June, 2015: State Convention – Delegates vote on the updated position

Questions and comments regarding the study and consensus can be directed to the Committee at this e-mail address: charterstudy@lwwil.org or telephone: 312.939.5935 x-36.

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