

Rep. Gary Hebl: Early in-person voting in 2022 election set to begin

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With the election just around the corner, in-person voting is about to begin across the 46th District.

While absentee voting began several weeks ago, early in-person voting cannot begin until two weeks before Election Day. There are many names and issues on the ballot and everyone should start thinking about how they will vote.

In each municipality of the 46th District, there will be statewide elections for Governor & Lieutenant Governor, Wisconsin Attorney General, Secretary of State, State Treasurer, and United States Senator. There will also be district elections for Congressional Representative, State Senator, and State Representative. In Dane County, there is a vote for County Sheriff as well as nonbinding referendums on marijuana legalization and the right to abortion.

Locally, residents of the Stoughton Area School District have two referendums on their ballots. One referendum, for \$36.6 million for district-wide capital maintenance, including for facility maintenance updates, energy efficiency, and safety & security. The other, for \$11.7 million, is to replace Community Gym by adding a new gymnasium/fitness area to River Bluff

Middle School. For more information on the Stoughton School District Referendums, visit stoughton.k12.wi.us/referendum2022.

In the Sun Prairie Area School District, there is an operating referendum to exceed the revenue limit for recurring costs, including “maintaining class sizes, student services and staff compensation, providing for substitute teacher coverage, increasing mental health services for students, and ongoing safety and facility maintenance.” The referendum is a result of projected budget deficits due to continued lack of sufficient school funding from the state legislature. There are informational sessions on October 24 and 28 as well as on November 4 and 7. For more information, visit sunprairieschools.org/district/budget-challenges-and-planning.

There are no referendums on the Fall 2022 ballot for residents of Cottage Grove or the Monona Grove School District.

The best resource for Wisconsin voters is myvote.wi.gov. On that website, people can find where their voting place is and see what is on their ballot. It is an invaluable tool for anyone in Wisconsin who is planning to vote.

It is important for citizens to have their voices heard. I encourage everyone to either visit their local municipal clerk to register to vote or to visit myvote.wi.gov to register and research their local and state races and issues. Make sure to get to the polls by November 8 to ensure that your vote is counted and your voice is heard!