

WEDCS & Canvass Webinar

The following questions were submitted during the live Webinar presentation on March 19, 2014.

Q: Is it ok to provide the School District Clerk a PDF of the poll list along with an email stating it is a certified copy?

A: You can if the school district agrees to receive the poll list as a pdf. It must be accompanied by a signed certificate that the pdf is a true and exact copy of the original.

Q: For a municipality that does not send results to the County through the CRS, is there any advantage to entering the information in the CRS?

A: The one advantage for a municipality to entering the information in the CRS is that you would be able to print the Canvass Municipality – GAB 106 Report. This report includes a tabular statement of votes cast, a summary statement and a certification that can be used at the municipal Board of Canvass. A number of other reports are available in the CRS that municipal clerks may find useful. If you would like more information on using the CRS for your municipal contest contact the G.A.B.

Q: How do registered write-in candidates get entered into the CRS?

A: --Registered write-in candidates are entered in SVRS with a status of Approved-Write-in and given the next available candidate ballot position. For example, if there are no candidates the registered write-in candidate should have a ballot position of 1. You should also type (Write-in) after the candidate's name on ballot so that the words write-in appear on the reports in CRS.

Q: Why are we not required to report costs for primary election such as absentees and election workers' wages, etc.?

A: The GAB-191 Election-Specific Cost Report is only required for the Spring Election and the General Election. Based on cost reporting during 2012 and 2013, we are able to estimate how costs change based on the type of the election and voter turnout.

Q: Does the School district get a copy of the poll list WITH voter signatures, or without?

A: It makes no difference.

Q: What if we hold training prior to each election for poll workers? Is that election-specific or not?

A: No, it is reported on your annual report.

Q: Our county had one county board supervisor district primary and one school district had a referendum question. Is the GAB-191 required?

A: The GAB-191 cost report is required for all counties and municipalities for April. The GAB-190NF statistics report is not required if you do not have a state or federal office or statewide referendum on the ballot.

Q: Should municipalities enter local canvass results?

A: You can.

Q: The GAB-190 for Federal only (Nov. election), and the GAB-192 for Spring election (April), is that correct?

A: The GAB-190F is required whenever there is a federal office on the ballot (usually the Partisan Primary, the General Election, and the Presidential Preference Election). The GAB-190NF is required when there is a state office or statewide referendum on the ballot and there is not a federal office on the ballot. The GAB-191 Election Specific Cost Report is due after every Spring Election and General Election. The GAB-192 Annual Cost Report is due every January 31st for the preceding year.

Q: Do you have a certification form sample to use for the copy of the poll book for school districts?

A: No, should be on your letterhead, certifying that it is a true copy of your poll list and signed by you.

Q: Is the Board of Canvass supposed to do a GAB-106 or just the reporting unit?

A: You don't have to fill out the tabular statement if you don't want to.

Q: Allison - can the Power Point be posted on the website (or sent out)? I would like to copy it and send it to the muni clerks, but the one printed in the documentation is kind of small.

A: It will be posted with the materials and webcast on the webinar page.

Q: So the GEB-192 will include cost from a Primary?

A: No, costs that are specific to the Spring Primary or the Partisan Primary, or any other election-specific costs are never reported.