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TO: All Wisconsin Elections Officials
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SUBJECT: Accessibility Reminders for the Partisan Primary

Polling Place Set-Up

All polling places must be accessible to voters with disabilities. To help with setting up your polling place, you can reference the [Polling Place Set-Up Guide](#). If you aren't sure whether your polling place is accessible, use the [Election Day Accessibility Checklist](#). This is a good resource to use when you're setting up your polling place and on election day before polls open. If you identify any problems, check the [Quick-Fix Guide](#) to see if there is an easy solution. Here are a few other things to check before Election Day:

- Especially in heat and high humidity it's a good idea to provide seating for voters who cannot stand in line for an extended period of time.
- Designate specific election inspectors to provide curbside voting, so they're ready to help a curbside voter as soon as one arrives.
- Have more than one election inspector in each polling place know how to use the accessible voting equipment.
- If your polling place is a school or other building that is not regularly in use, check with the building contact to ensure that if there are automatic accessible features on the voter entrance they will be working and that the interior route to the voting area will be well lit. When school is not in session, some schools turn off their automatic door openers or change the schedule for lights on timers to save energy.

Polling Place Reviews

The WEC will be conducting polling place reviews at the Partisan Primary. If you have questions, watch the What to Expect During a Polling Place Review webinar on ElectEd here: [What to Expect During a Polling Place Webinar](#).

Assistance for Voters with Disabilities

Voters with disabilities can receive assistance with several tasks like marking their ballot. For more detailed information on the kinds of assistance, see the Assistance and Accommodations webinar on ElectEd here: [Assistance and Accommodations Webinar](#).

For additional resources on polling place accessibility visit the [Polling Place Accessibility](#) page on the WEC website.

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