

# OFFICIAL BALLOT

Wood County, WV

General Election

November 8, 2022

## INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

## COUNTY TICKET

**FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER**  
(Vote for ONE)  
Not More Than One Resident of Any  
Magisterial District May Be Elected

**JAMES E. COLOMBO** REP  
Parkersburg District A

**SIMON HARGUS** DEM  
Parkersburg District A

**NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED** LBN

**NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED** MTN

Write-in, If Any

**FOR COUNTY CLERK**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JOE GONZALES** REP  
Parkersburg

**J.R. CARPENTER** DEM  
Parkersburg

**NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED** LBN

**NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED** MTN

Write-in, If Any

**FOR SHERIFF - UNEXPIRED TERM**  
(Vote for ONE)

**RICK WOODYARD** REP  
Mineral Wells

**NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED** DEM

**NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED** LBN

**NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED** MTN

Write-in, If Any

**FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES**  
**12TH DELEGATE DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**VERNON CRISS** REP  
Parkersburg Wood Co.

**JONATHAN DEFIBAUGH** DEM  
Parkersburg Wood Co.

**STEPHEN THOMAS SMITH** LBN  
Parkersburg Wood Co.

**NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED** MTN

Write-in, If Any

## COUNTY TICKET

**FOR CIRCUIT CLERK**  
(Vote for ONE)

**CELESTE WALDRON RIDGWAY** REP  
Williamstown

**JAMES CHRIS ALFRED** DEM  
Parkersburg

**NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED** LBN

**NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED** MTN

Write-in, If Any

## BALLOT ON CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

### Amendment No. 1: Clarification of the Judiciary's Role in Impeachment Proceedings Amendment

**Summary of Purpose:** Clarifying that courts have no authority or jurisdiction to intercede or intervene in or interfere with impeachment proceedings of the House of Delegates or the Senate; and specifying that a judgment rendered by the Senate following an impeachment trial is not reviewable by any court of this state.

#### Instructions to Voters:

To vote in favor of the Amendment submitted, darken the oval next to "FOR". To vote against the Amendment, darken the oval next to "AGAINST".

**FOR**

**AGAINST**

### Amendment No. 2: Property Tax Modernization Amendment

**Summary of Purpose:** To amend the State Constitution by providing the Legislature with authority to exempt tangible machinery and equipment personal property directly used in business activity and tangible inventory personal property directly used in business activity and personal property tax on motor vehicles from ad valorem property taxation by general law.

#### Instructions to Voters:

To vote in favor of the Amendment submitted, darken the oval next to "FOR". To vote against the Amendment, darken the oval next to "AGAINST".

**FOR**

**AGAINST**

### Amendment No. 3: Incorporation of Churches or Religious Denominations Amendment

**Summary of Purpose:** To authorize the incorporation of churches or religious denominations.

#### Instructions to Voters:

To vote in favor of the Amendment submitted, darken the oval next to "FOR". To vote against the Amendment, darken the oval next to "AGAINST".

**FOR**

**AGAINST**

### Amendment No. 4: Education Accountability Amendment

**Summary of Purpose:** The purpose of this amendment is to clarify that the rules and policies promulgated by the State Board of Education, are subject to legislative review, approval, amendment, or rejection.

#### Instructions to Voters:

To vote in favor of the Amendment submitted, darken the oval next to "FOR". To vote against the Amendment, darken the oval next to "AGAINST".

**FOR**

**AGAINST**

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

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OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT

EXCESS LEVY CALL (2025 - 2029)

Election to authorize additional levies for the following years: 2024-2025, 2025-2026, 2026-2027, 2027-2028, and 2028-2029 for the following purposes:

A. To continue personnel salaries and benefits to continue to improve and enhance the Wood County School District's instructional program, (including interventionists) and student support programs (including counselors and nurses) by the employment and retention of qualified teachers, service, and administrative personnel by maintaining competitive salaries and benefits \$15,500,000

B. To continue funds for school safety and security of all elementary, middle, and high schools through the use of school resource offices, security offices, security cameras, access control doors and other safety and security equipment. \$2,500,000

C. To continue funds for maintenance of all district-wide facilities including buildings, equipment, playgrounds, athletic and planetarium facilities to provide for safe and efficient operations. \$968,497

D. To continue funds for school operational supplies, equipment, and supplemental services – technology; instructional supplies and services; library supplies; copiers and supplies; funding for LSIC identified projects \$1,300,000

E. To continue funds for the support of WVU Extension Service, Artsbridge, Boys & Girls Club, YMCA, Wood County Libraries and New Era School or other enrichment programs in the county in support of the students. \$638,000

Total for each of said fiscal years, approximately \$20,906,497

or such amount as the proposed eighty percent of the maximum levy rates may produce when applied to the annual assessed valuation of taxable property in the Wood County School District; and further, any additional money derived from any increase in levy funds shall be used for maintenance, school safety and educational operational supplies/equipment/services, for all schools according to the order of the Board of education of the County of Wood entered the 23rd day of August, 2022.

In the event that the actual amount collected is, for any reason, less than the amounts noted for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine, in its discretion, which one or more of the above-stated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year, and the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, the Board shall not reduce the funds allocated for School Safety and Security set forth in the purposes set forth above.

The continuing eighty percent levy shall be on Class I property 18.36 cents; on Class II property 36.72 cents; on Class III property 73.44 cents; on Class IV property 73.44 cents.

- FOR THE LEVIES
AGAINST THE LEVIES

INSTRUCTIONS: Those favoring the additional levies, fill in the oval next to "FOR THE LEVIES". Those against the levies, fill in the oval next to "AGAINST THE LEVIES".

OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT

WOOD COUNTY COMMISSION
LEVY RENEWAL FOR CONTINUED LIBRARY SERVICES
(November 8, 2022)

An election to authorize continued levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2023, July 1, 2024, July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, and July 1, 2027 to a) construct a New Library in Williamstown, b) pay for the bond used for the building of the South Parkersburg Library, c) pay for the bond used for renovations to the main floor of the Emerson Library, and d) contribute to the general operation of the Parkersburg & Wood County Public Library in the approximate amount of is \$580,431 annually and \$2,902,155 during the term of the levy; according to the Order of the County Commission entered on 22nd day of August, 2022.

That rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation on each class of property shall be:

Table with 2 columns: Class, Rate. Rows: Class I (.54 cents), Class II (1.08 cents), Class III (2.16 cents), Class IV (2.16 cents)

- Yes, for levy renewal for continued library services
No, against levy renewal for continued library services

VOTE BOTH SIDES