



2009 Election Recap

IN APPRECIATION

Many thanks to all who worked on Election Day and in the days leading up to the election.

The Kids Voting mission would be impossible to accomplish without the support of these dedicated volunteers!

Special thanks to our area high school students who encouraged their communities to vote, managed the Kids Voting booths and helped at Election Central as votes were tallied and our democratic process celebrated. This same group of students will meet again in January to address issues that challenge Kids Voting and participate in leadership activities.

As with the adult election, Kids Voting struggles with turnout, especially when school is in session.

Thank you for understanding that
The Kids Voting process is as important as our results.

And lastly, many thanks to the Asheville Citizen-Times for recognizing Kids Voting in their November 9th *The Report Card.*

TO RECAP

OUR RESULTS

A total of 1420 student votes were cast. Precinct votes comprised 48% while on-line and in-school votes made up the remaining 52%.

[Click here to see candidate results.](#)

85% of students reported their grade level when they voted.

Of all students reporting:

52.7% were in Elementary School

31% were in Middle School

16.3% were in High School

Of on-line voters reporting:

31% were in Elementary School
46% were in Middle School
23% were in High School

82% of students reported their school when they voted.

Congratulations to the following schools for their reported student participation on Election Day!

Hanger Hall: Highest Voter Participation: 62% (pro-rated by enrollment)

Erwin High School: Top High School Voter Participation

Asheville Middle School: Top Middle School Voter Participation

Isaac Dickson Elementary: Top Elementary On-line Voter Participation

Jones Elementary: Top Elementary Paper Ballot Voter Participation

Of Note:

30% of student voters discussed the election in class
27% discussed the election with their families and
15% discussed the election with their friends

48% had voted with Kids Voting before while
37% were new to our program.

OUR VOLUNTEERS

Area High School Students: 66% of precincts were captained by 46 high school students representing Asheville, Enka, Erwin, North Buncombe, Owen, Reynolds, and Roberson high schools and Carolina Day School.

Dedicated Adults: 17 individuals and organizations adopted and worked as Kids Voting Precinct Captains including Altrusa Club of Asheville, Asheville Buncombe County League of Women Voters, Asheville City Schools Administrators, Beth Israel Synagogue, Carolina Day School Families, Claxton Elementary School PTO, Junior League of Asheville, Kohl's, The Links, Inc., Montford Community Center Staff & Participants Shiloh Recreation Center Staff and Kids Voting Board members.

Dedicated Educators who Facilitated Activities:

Kelvin Cyrus: Asheville City Schools

Deborah Goodwin: Buncombe County Schools

Ann Allen and the Erwin High Interact Club:

Erwin High School where students voted on-line in their cafeteria

Susan Bowers and Susan Lifchez:

Jones Elementary where students voted in their cafeteria using paper ballots while also voting by separate ballot for the menu of their Thanksgiving Dinner.

Stephanie Reagan:

Asheville Middle School voted on-line in their cafeteria on Election Day.

2009 Election Recognition Program Participants

Chandrea Bartley: West Buncombe Elementary

Andrea Gnisci: Ira B Jones Elementary

Jamie Hammond: Hanger Hall

Robert Malt: Home School

Melissa Murphy: Francine Delaney

Stephanie Reagan: Asheville Middle School

Jessica Roberts: Francine Delaney

OUR SUPPORTERS:

**Volvo Construction Equipment
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NC League of Municipalities Foundation



Your comments and questions are always welcome!

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