

BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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Board of Elections Approves Voting Machine Plan for General Election

(Columbus) The Franklin County Board of Elections approved a voting machine allocation plan for the general election today.

The board divided 4,639 voting machines among 854 precincts for Election Day stationing more machines in precincts where lines may be longer than in others because of a heavy turnout and a long ballot. The plan follows recommendations from the secretary of state and from consultants hired by the board to predict the time it will take to vote on Nov. 4. It will be posted online shortly at http://vote.franklincountyohio.gov . Board staff will review the plan after voter registration closes on Oct. 6 to decide if changes are needed based upon final registration totals and the likely number of absentee voters in Franklin County.

Base pay for poll workers will remain at \$107.91 for general election. The board was unable able to come to an agreement with the board of commissioners and prosecuting attorney on a proposed increase.

The board also upheld its earlier decision to certify a trash issue in Upper Arlington by taking the added step of voting against a protest from the city aimed at removing the issue from the ballot.

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