

TRAINING

Poll worker training is mandatory to work at a precinct. Carroll County offered a separate training class just for UWG Best of the West participants. As a consideration to the students' schedules, training was held in the evening at 4:00 pm.

UWG provided a bus to transport all students together. Students were required to sign in and were given their polling place assignments. Conflicts due to transportation issues were quickly resolved.

Training was conducted by Carroll County Elections Staff: Greg Rigby, Elections & Registration Supervisor, Janice K. Duff, Deputy Supervisor, Carolyn Driver, Elections Assistant, and Linda Houston, West Carrollton Poll Manager.

Guest speakers were Anne Lee, Carroll County Human Resources Director, the Honorable Mike Dugan, Senator, District 30, and the Honorable Michelle Morgan, Carroll County District 4 Commissioner.

Training followed a simple agenda and covered all training requirements set by Georgia law. Students watched training videos provided by the Georgia Secretary of State then took part in hands-on demonstrations on DRE (voting machines), and processed voters using Express Polls (electronic poll books).

Expectations were provided by all training personnel. Learning what to expect as a poll worker was realistically provided by Linda Houston, who offered her real life experiences as a long standing poll manager.

Training Points:

- Dress appropriately – casual business attire.
- Be sure to speak clearly when addressing all voters.
- Always be professional – you represent UWG, Carroll County and, most importantly, yourself!
- Some information in Express Polls is confidential, all workers are expected to perform their duties in accordance with all Georgia Laws and maintain the integrity and security of elections.