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# LWV Branding Webinar

Understanding the LWV and VOTE411 Brands



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# Meet the Team



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# Agenda & Introductions

- Branding
- LWV's Brand
- VOTE411's Brand
- Creating Your Own Designs
- Additional Resources



# Branding

# What Is a Brand?

A **brand** is a name, term, design, symbol, or any other feature that identifies one seller's good or service as distinct from those of other sellers.



# Sub-Brands

## LWV VS. VOTE411

- Although VOTE411 is a product of the League of Women Voters Education Fund (LWVEF), **VOTE411 has its own independent brand style and elements**
- Ex. Coke & Sprite



# Value of Branding

- Brand = identity
- One voice, one League
- Maintains goodwill and valuable reputation



# Brand Breakdown: LWV



# LWV Brand: Colors

The LWV primary color palette consists of three colors. They can be used at full color (100%) or tints (a percentage of that color).

The listed colors must be used on all League-branded materials, graphics, and merchandise. **There are no acceptable substitutions.**

## Primary Colors

### LWV Blue

C98 M72 Y13 K21  
R0 G85 B150  
hex #005596

### LWV Red

C13 M100 Y84 K4  
R190 G15 B52  
hex #be0f34

## Secondary Colors

### LWV Dark Purple

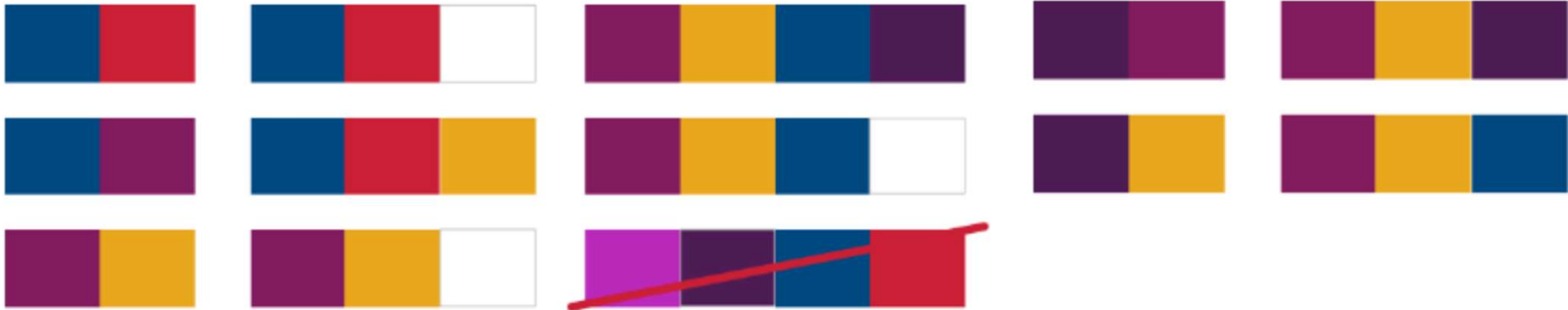
C45 M100 Y30 K20  
R130 G2 B99  
hex #820263

### LWV Light Purple

C75 M100 Y35 K30  
R82 G28 B80  
hex #521c50

### LWV Gold

C5 M35 Y100 K2  
R236 G164 B0  
hex #eca400



# LWV Brand: Font

- Used for print and digital materials
- Both are available on Canva, Google & Microsoft products
- Unable to access these fonts: substitute with Times New Roman, Open Sans

## Merriweather

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ  
abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

## Merriweather Bold

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ  
abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

## Lato

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ  
abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

## Lato Bold

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ  
abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

## Color

For use on white, light color backgrounds



## Black

For use on white, light color backgrounds



## White

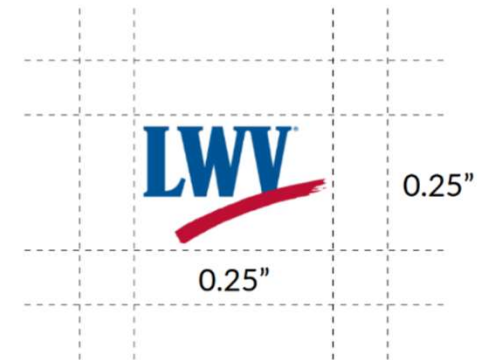
For use on dark backgrounds and black and white materials



# Logos: Clear Space

**Clear space** is a minimum distance between the logo and competing text, images, and graphics to ensure brand integrity and visibility.

**Minimum of .25" (1/4") of clear space**



# Logos: Combinations

Partnering organizations may require you to add their logo to your materials.

**Regardless of placement or size, a minimum of 0.25" of clear space must be maintained between all logos.**



# Logos: Creating Project Graphics

Sometimes Leagues need a branded graphic for a project or initiative.

**Regardless of placement or size, a minimum of 0.25” of clear space must be maintained between all logos.**



Education Fund



Education Fund

# Logo Combinations: LWV & VOTE411

## You can...

- Include LWV logo on VOTE411-branded items



## You cannot...

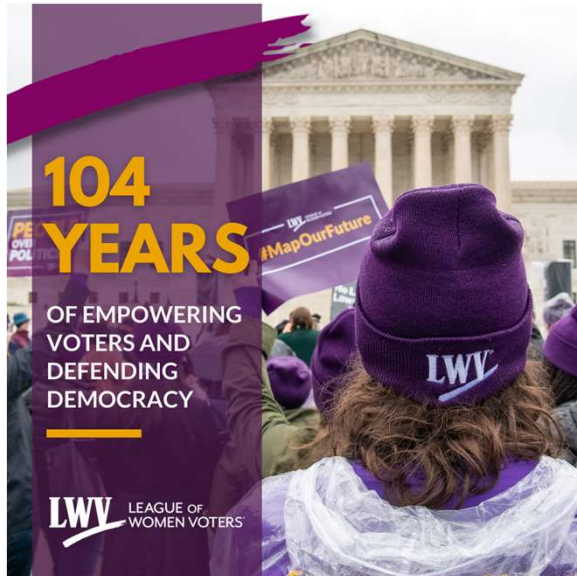
- Include VOTE411 logo on LWV-branded items





# LWV: Appropriate Logo Use

## Brand Appropriate



## Violates LWV Brand Standards

DISTORTION



DISTORTING EFFECTS



DARK OR BUSY BACKGROUND



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# BRAND BREAKDOWN: VOTE411

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## VOTE411 BRAND: COLORS

- Only use VOTE411 colors on VOTE411 branded materials
- Do not mix LWV and VOTE411 brand colors on graphics
- Secondary colors must be used with primary colors

## Primary Colors

### Dark Blue

C100 M69 Y7 K90  
R10 G58 B90  
hex #0a3a5a

### Fuchsia Purple

C40 M90 Y0 K0  
R187 G41 B187  
hex #bb29bb

## Secondary Colors

### Yellow

C0 M23 Y98 K0  
R254 G196 B14  
hex #fec40e

### Green

C76 M14 Y73 K0  
R63 G14 B111  
hex #3fa06f

### Turquoise

C46 M20 Y21 K0  
R49 G159 B186  
hex #2e9fba

### Purple

C64 M61 Y6 K0  
R110 G109 B169  
hex #6e6da9

### Red

C8 M93 Y48 K0  
R221 G53 B97  
hex #dd3561

## VOTE411 BRAND: FONTS

- Used for print and digital materials
- Rift is not available on Canva
  - Substitute: Bebas Neue Cyrillic
- Unable to access these fonts: substitute with Helvetica Condensed, Helvetica

### RIFT

ABCDEFGHIJKLMN  
OPQRSTUVWXYZ  
*ABCDEFGHIJKLMN*  
*OPQRSTUVWXYZ*  
1234567890

### BEBAS NEUE CYRILLIC

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRS  
TUVWXYZ

*\*\*Canva alternative*

### Poppins

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ  
abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

### Poppins Bold

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ  
abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

## Blue & Purple

For use on white, light color backgrounds



## Grayscale

For use on white, light color backgrounds



## White & Purple

For use on dark backgrounds and black and white materials



## White

For use on dark backgrounds and black and white materials



## VOTE411 BRAND: LOGOS

- The logo must always be used exactly as it is displayed here with no distortion or alteration
- Clear space minimum: .25" (1/4")



# ELECTION INFORMATION YOU NEED



Register to  
Vote



Check Your  
Registration



Find What on  
Your Ballot

Make a Plan to Vote

**VOTE 411**

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# Branding Dos and Don'ts

## DO...

- Use LWV or VOTE411 colors and fonts for branded materials
- Include clear space between LWV/VOTE411 logo and other elements
- Utilize LWV-created templates and graphics available on the League Management Site

## DON'T....

- Alter your League logo
- Mix LWV and VOTE411 branding



# Best Practices for Creating Your Own Designs



# Keep Designs Simple

- Avoid too much text
- Think bumper sticker phrases



# Call to Action

- Make it short
- Make it clear
- Make it singular
- Audience!

**VOTE 411**

### MAKE A VOTING PLAN

- CHECK YOUR REGISTRATION AND/OR REGISTER TO VOTE**  
It takes 2 minutes! Get started using VOTE411's easy online tool.
- LEARN ABOUT EARLY VOTING OPTIONS**  
Many states offer absentee, mail-in or in person early voting options.
- EXPLORE YOUR DAY-OF VOTING OPTIONS**  
Find out where you can vote, what voting machines are used, and what you need to bring with you on Election Day.
- RESEARCH CANDIDATES**  
Learn more about ballot measures and where candidates stand on the issues.
- SHARE YOUR PLANS!**  
Tell your friends and family and encourage them to make a voting plan at [VOTE411.org](http://VOTE411.org).



# Spacing

- Leave space between elements
- Think about boundaries
- Know your dimensions



**WICHITA,**  
**ARE YOU READY TO VOTE?**

Election Day is November 5, 2024

Check your registration and get personalized ballot information at [VOTE411.org](https://VOTE411.org).



## IMPORTANT DATES

Registration Deadline: 10/15  
Early Voting Deadline: 11/04, 12PM



## Diversity

- Image selection (photography)
- Language (use humans!)



# Additional Resources

# Brand Standards At-A-Glance

- LWV & VOTE411 brand standards did not change
- Compressed version of LWV & VOTE411 brand standards
  - Fonts
  - Colors
  - Logos



# Additional Resources

- [League Management Site](#)
- [League Update](#)
- [New Media Facebook Group](#)
- [Merch Portal](#)
- [State & Local League Logos](#)
- [Flickr Library](#)

## LEAGUE MANAGEMENT

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Find resources to help you and your League succeed. This website is intended for League members engaged in all areas of League work.



# Additional Resources

## TEMPLATES & GRAPHICS

- [LWV & VOTE411 PowerPoint Templates](#)
- [LWV & VOTE411 Zoom Backgrounds](#)
- [Election Season VOTE411 Graphics & Sample Posts](#)
- [Retractable Banner Templates](#)
- [General League Event Graphics](#)
- [VOTE411 “Plan Your Vote” Palm Cards](#)

## Example Posts



## Graphics, Memes &

# Questions?

Email [communications@lwv.org](mailto:communications@lwv.org)

