

## Vote As If Your Life And Your Country Depend On It

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***Because it does!! The polls will be open Tuesday from 7AM to 8PM. Here are some things you'll need to know.***

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MADISON - Has this rough-and-tumble election been getting you down? The best therapy is to vote!

If you don't believe me, ask the [American Psychological Association](#) , which advises people with election fatigue to: "Vote. In a democracy, a citizen's voice does matter. By voting, you will hopefully feel you are taking a proactive step and participating in what for many has been a stressful election cycle. Find balanced information to learn about all the candidates and issues on your ballot (not just the presidential race), make informed decisions and wear your "I voted" sticker with pride."

Still not convinced? The indomitable Molly Ivins [offered several other personal benefits](#) of voting: "Voting whitens your teeth, sweetens your breath and perks up your sex life. Voting is new and improved, stops the heartbreak of psoriasis and improves your gas mileage... As an American living today, your one vote means you have more political power than 99 percent of all the people who ever lived on this planet... Use it!"

There's also the fact that by voting tomorrow you'll be joining a [record-breaking number of Wisconsinites](#) who have already voted, according to the Wisconsin Elections Commission.

In-person absentee voting is no longer available, but if you still have an absentee ballot to return, deliver it to your municipal clerk by Election Day (that's tomorrow, in case you didn't get the memo) in order to have it counted. Here is a [directory of municipal clerks](#) , which has been updated since our last email to take you to the new Wisconsin Elections Commission website.

The polls will be open tomorrow from 7AM to 8PM. [Click here](#) to find your polling place and see what's on your ballot. You can find candidate information at [VOTE411.org](#)

or

[WisconsinVote.org](#)

Do you need a ride to your polling place? Here's a listing of [organizations offering free rides](#) compiled by our friends at Common Cause in Wisconsin.

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Finally, take a moment tomorrow to thank your local election officials. They have a big job and we are so lucky to have them as public servants.

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