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## **SECRETARY MERRILL SELECTS POLLING LOCATIONS TO HAVE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY RESULTS AUDITED**

A hand count of ballots from ten percent of all polling places that use optical scanners to be matched against machine totals, which will affirm the integrity of the vote

**HARTFORD:** Secretary of the State Denise Merrill randomly selected voting precincts to have election results audited following the April 26 presidential preference primary. Ten percent of the polling places that use optical scan machines are subject to the audit, as prescribed by Connecticut General Statutes 9-320f. Those hand counted ballots will be matched against vote totals from optical scan machines.

Secretary Merrill said, "There is no acceptable margin for error in an election or primary. The public can be guaranteed that officials are taking every possible step to ensure the integrity of the vote and promote confidence in the process. We have trust in the machines and the results. However, we also require that these results be verified."

There were 723 polling places that used optical scan machines on April 26 so the Secretary of the State chose 73 primary and 10 alternate locations.

The results of audits will be analyzed by the University of Connecticut, the Secretary of the State's office and the State Elections Enforcement Commission, and then be made available to the public. The audit can start no earlier than May 11th and will be complete by June 3.

Connecticut boasts one of the strictest audit statutes in the country and was the first state in New England to require a comprehensive audit of primary results.

SELECTED FOR AUDIT:

Ansonia	Ansonia Armory Ward 2
Avon	Roaring Brook School
Berlin	Hubbard School
Bethel	Bethel Municipal Center Districts 1 & 4
Branford	Indian Neck School - District 5
Bridgeport	Dunbar School 124-3
Bridgeport	J.F.K. Campus 124-2
Bridgeport	Luis Munoz Marin 128-2
Bridgeport	Park City Magnet 126-3
Bridgeport	Read Middle School 127-2
Cheshire	Cheshire High School - Dist. 1
Cheshire	Highland School - Voting Dist. 6
Danbury	Park Avenue School Gym - Ward 6
Darien	District 6 / 35 Leroy Ave.
Derby	Irving Elementary School Ward 2 Dist. 104/105
Durham	Korn School 3
East Granby	East Granby Community Center-1
East Haddam	Nathan Hale Ray High School
East Hampton	East Hampton Middle School
East Hartford	Hockanum School
East Haven	Overbrook School 4
East Haven	Woodview 5-S
Essex	Essex Town Hall 01
Farmington	Irving Robbins Middle School - District 1, Precinct 1
Farmington	Irving Robbins Middle School - District 1, Precinct 4
Greenwich	Central Middle School Dist. 8
Greenwich	Julian Curtiss School Dist. 1
Guilford	Melissa Jones School
Haddam	Haddam Neck Firehouse
Hartford	Batchelder School - 757 New Britain Ave - Voting District #15
Hartford	Bulkeley High School - 300 Wethersfield Ave - Voting District #19
Hartford	United Methodist Church - 571 Farmington Ave - Voting District #5
Manchester	Verplanck School
Meriden	Community Towers Area 1 PCT. 2
Meriden	Washington Middle School Area 2 PCT. 6
Middlebury	Shepardson Community Center 01
Middlebury	Shepardson Community Center 02
Middletown	Macdonough School-District 1
Middletown	Snow School-Gym District 8

Middletown	Wesley School-District 9
Montville	Mohegan Elementary School-5
New Britain	Graham Apartments District 5-2
New London	New London High School District 1
Newington	Martin Kellogg Middle School---District---7
Norwich	John M. Moriarty School
Norwich	Samuel Huntington School
Orange	High Plains Community Center District 3
Pomfret	The Pomfret Community School
Prospect	Prospect Firehouse
Scotland	Firehouse/Community Center
Shelton	Elizabeth Shelton School
Simsbury	Tootin Hill School
South Windsor	Phillip R. Smith School - Gym
South Windsor	Pleasant Valley School-Gym
Southbury	Center Fire House
Stamford	Our Lady Star of the Sea
Stamford	Salvation Army
Stonington	Stonington Fire House
Stratford	Lordship School 1st
Thomaston	Crescent Art Gallery
Tolland	Recreation Center Gym - 1
Torrington	City Hall-1
Torrington	Coe Park-1
Vernon	North East School
Waterbury	Washington Park Community House 75-2, SR
Waterbury	Wendell Cross School (3rd), 74-4
Waterbury	Willow Plaza Center 75-1, SR
West Hartford	Hall High School District 9
West Haven	John Prete Senior Housing Voting District 5
Westport	Greens Farms Elementary School Auditorium District 4
Windsor	Oliver Ellsworth School
Windsor	Poquonock School
Windsor Locks	Windsor Locks High School

**SELECTED AS ALTERNATES**

New Britain	Chamberlain School District 9
New Haven	Main Library Ward 1
Torrington	Middle School
Farmington	West Woods School - District 1, Precinct 5
Fairfield	McKinley School

Greenwich	Greenwich High School 7A
Sprague	Baltic Fire House
Plainville	Toffolon School
Plainfield	3 Moosup Fire Station
Stamford	Stamford High