

## CONSENSUS QUESTIONS FOR LWVFA SCHOOLS STUDY - MARCH 2010

*The following questions will be considered by LWVFA members at the March 2010 Meetings. The responses will be compiled and considered by the LWVFA board to determine if a consensus of the membership has been reached, and if so, formulate wording of the consensus statement..*

1. a) How important do you think it is for students in FCPS to have a school week (hours in class per week) comparable to students in other jurisdictions in the metropolitan area?  
  
b) Do you think Fairfax County elementary students have adequate instructional time?
  
2. Do you think that Fairfax County elementary schools should have a uniform school day each day without weekly early dismissals?
  
3. a) Should the school day and calendar for all FCPS elementary schools be generally consistent throughout the Division?  
  
b) To what extent should deviations be allowed or encouraged?
  
4. a) Should the availability of and time spent on core subjects, as well as on art, music, band, physical education, foreign language instruction, etc., be consistent throughout FCPS?  
  
b) If not, what are valid reasons for deviations?
  
5. Should extending full-day kindergarten to all FCPS schools be a priority to the extent allowable within budgetary limits?
  
6. Do you think students are currently given enough time for physical education during the school day/week?
  
7. Do you think the school day should be long enough to permit at least a 20-minute recess?

