

Polling Places for the Youth Council & Scottish Youth Parliament Elections 2023

Any young person aged 12-25 (or 11 years old if in S1) can have their say on their next local and national youth representative by visiting their local polling place. This document details where and when young people can vote.

At all polling stations young people can vote for their Ward Youth Councillor and Member of the Scottish Youth Parliament.

It is only at sessions delivered by Youth Work staff and partner organisations that young people can vote for Nominated Youth Councillor positions – this is *all* polling places except libraries.

All of the libraries have different opening times, to check out when your nearest library is open, please visit: <https://www.dumgal.gov.uk/article/15306/Local-libraries>

The Oasis Youth Centre is a polling place where any young person from any area in Dumfries and Galloway can vote, this is due to the number of students studying through college and university, and the number working in Dumfries from elsewhere in the region. The Oasis Youth Centre is open Monday – Friday 10am – 8pm for voting.

There is also voting at Dumfries & Galloway College & University taking place on Wednesday 29th 12noon – 2pm

If you have any questions, please get in touch info@dgyouthcouncil.com or by messaging us directly on @YouthCouncilDG on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram.

Stranraer & the Rhins

- Stranraer Academy lunch time voting session is happening on Wednesday 29th November – this session is only open to Academy students.
- At Agnew Park there will be voting on:
 - Tuesday 28th between 6:30pm – 8:30pm
 - Friday 24th November between 6:30pm – 8:30pm
 - Friday 1st December between 6:30pm – 8:30pm
- Stranraer Library is a polling place from Wednesday 22nd November from 1pm until 11am on Saturday 2nd December during their normal opening hours:
<https://www.dumgal.gov.uk/article/15306/Local-libraries>

Mid Galloway & Wigtown West

- Douglas Ewart High School lunch time voting session is happening on Thursday 30th November – this session is only open to students.
- At McMillan Hall in the Youth Room (to the right as you go in) there will be voting on:
 - Monday 27th November between 5pm – 7pm
 - Tuesday 28th November between 6:30pm – 8:30pm
 - Friday 1st December between 6:30pm – 8:30pm
- At Wigtown County Buildings (Kaos Café to the left of the building) there will be voting on:
 - Monday 27th November between 6pm – 9pm
- At the New Town Hall in Whithorn, there will be voting on:
 - Thursday 30th November between 6:30pm – 8:30pm
- Newton Stewart, Whithorn and Wigtown libraries are polling places during their normal opening hours: <https://www.dumgal.gov.uk/article/15306/Local-libraries>

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Dee & Glenkens

- Kirkcudbright Academy lunch time voting session is happening on Monday 27th November – this session is only open to students.
- Dalry High School lunch time voting session is happening on Wednesday 29th November – this session is only open to students.
- Through Youth Groups, which take place at the Academy (Room 36), young people can vote on:
 - Thursday 30th November from 3:30pm – 5:30pm & 6:30pm – 8:30pm
 - Saturday 2nd November from 4pm – 6pm at the MUGA
- Gatehouse of Fleet, Kirkcudbright and Dalry libraries are polling places during their normal opening hours: <https://www.dumgal.gov.uk/article/15306/Local-libraries>

Castle Douglas & Crocketford

- Castle Douglas High School lunch time voting session is happening on Tuesday 28th November – this session is only open to students.
- Through Youth Groups, which take place at Castle Douglas Town Hall, young people can vote on:
 - Tuesday 28th November between 7:30pm – 9pm
 - Wednesday 29th November between 7pm – 9pm
- Castle Douglas library is a polling place during their normal opening hours: <https://www.dumgal.gov.uk/article/15306/Local-libraries>

Abbey Ward

- Dalbeattie High School lunch time voting session is happening on Tuesday 28th November – this session is only open to students.
- Through Youth Groups, young people can vote on:
 - Wednesday 29th November between 6:30pm – 8:30pm at Dalbeattie Town Hall
 - Friday 1st December between 7pm – 9pm at Dalbeattie Academy MUGA
- Through Mobile Voting Session, young people can vote on:
 - Wednesday 29th November between 5pm – 6:30pm at Cargenbridge Primary
 - Thursday 30th November between 6pm – 7:30pm at Holm Park, Troqueer
- Dalbeattie library is a polling place during their normal opening hours: <https://www.dumgal.gov.uk/article/15306/Local-libraries>

North West Dumfries Ward

- North West Community Campus lunch time voting session is happening on Wednesday 22nd November – this session is only open to students.
- Through Youth Groups, young people can vote on:
 - Saturday 2nd December 6pm – 8pm at NWCC MUGA
- NWCC Library is a polling place during their normal opening hours: <https://www.dumgal.gov.uk/article/15306/Local-libraries>
- The Oasis Youth Centre is open Monday – Friday 10am – 8pm for voting.

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Mid & Upper Nithsdale

- Wallace Hall Academy lunch time session is happening on November – this session is only open to students.
- Sanquhar Academy lunch time session is happening on Thursday 30th November – this session is only open to students.
- Through Youth Groups at Hillview Leisure Centre in Kelloholm, young people can vote on:
 - Friday 1st December between 4pm – 5:30pm & 6:30pm – 8pm
- Sanquhar and Kelloholm Libraries are polling places during their normal opening hours: <https://www.dumgal.gov.uk/article/15306/Local-libraries>

Nith Ward

- Dumfries Academy lunch time voting session is happening on Friday 24th November – this session is only open to students.
- St Joseph's College lunch time voting session is happening on Friday 1st December – this session is only open to students.
- The Oasis Youth Centre is open Monday – Friday 10am – 8pm for voting.
- The Ewart, and Georgetown Libraries are polling places during their normal opening hours: <https://www.dumgal.gov.uk/article/15306/Local-libraries>
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Lochar Ward

- Dumfries High School lunch time voting session is happening on Friday 24th November – this session is only open to students.
- The Oasis Youth Centre is open Monday – Friday 10am – 8pm for voting.
- Lochthorn Library is a polling place during their normal opening hours: <https://www.dumgal.gov.uk/article/15306/Local-libraries>

Annandale South Ward

- Annan Academy lunch time voting session is happening on Thursday 30th November – this session is only open to students.
- Through Youth Groups at Victoria Halls in Annan, young people can vote on:
 - Friday 24th November between 4pm – 5:30pm & 7pm – 9pm.
 - Friday 1st December between 4pm – 5:30pm & 7pm – 9pm.
- Annan Library is a polling place during their normal opening hours: <https://www.dumgal.gov.uk/article/15306/Local-libraries>

Annandale East & Eskdale Ward

- Langholm Academy lunch time voting session is happening on Monday 27th November – this session is only open to students.

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- Through Youth Groups, young people can vote on:
 - Thursday 30th November between 6pm – 7:30pm at Gretna Football Club.
- Gretna and Langholm Libraries are polling places during their normal opening hours:
<https://www.dumgal.gov.uk/article/15306/Local-libraries>

Annandale North Ward

- Moffat Academy lunch time voting session is happening on Monday 27th November – this session is only open to students.
- Lockerbie Academy lunch time voting session is happening on Wednesday 29th November – this session is only open to students.
- Through Youth Groups, young people can vote on:
 - Wednesday 29th November between 6:30pm – 8:30pm at Ecclefechan Village Hall.
 - Wednesday 29th November between 3:30pm – 5pm at Moffat Academy.
 - Saturday 2nd December between 5pm – 6:30pm & 7pm – 9pm at Lockerbie Town Hall (Youth Room).
- Moffat, Lochmaben and Lockerbie Libraries are polling place during their normal opening hours: <https://www.dumgal.gov.uk/article/15306/Local-libraries>