



Post-Election Audits

Under Florida law, the County Canvassing Board (comprised of the Supervisor of Elections, a County Judge and a County Commissioner) , is responsible for not only certifying the election, but is required under Florida Statute 101.591 to conduct a manual audit of the voting system. In essence, we compare the vote totals with a physical count of the ballots to ensure that the voting system is working properly.

The statute requires that the post-election audit shall consist of a public manual tally of the votes cast in one randomly selected race that appeared on the ballot and two percent of the precincts in which the selected race appears. Also, if two percent of the precincts equals less than a whole number, the number of precincts to be audited shall be rounded up to the next whole number.

The tally shall include election-day, absentee, early voting, provisional, and overseas ballots.

Post-election audits are open to public, press, candidates or any other interested parties. A notice is required to be posted by the Supervisor of Elections' office with the date, time and place of the audit. I would encourage any interested persons to come and view the process, as transparency is paramount in our democracy!

After the audit has been completed the county canvassing board provides a report with the results of the audit to the Florida Department of State. This legally mandated audit allows the public to have complete confidence in our voting system.