

2024 Lobby Days

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Thanks to all of you amazing, empowered AAUW members, we are on our way to a successful and engaging Lobby Days 2024. The event will take place over two days, on April 2nd and 3rd, 2024.

We have over 150 members who have registered to participate. Forty members will be meeting with legislators or their staff in-person in Sacramento, and the rest will be holding their meetings via Zoom. This annual act of advocacy would not be possible without your participation, and the Public Policy Committee appreciates your commitment to AAUW California's public policy priorities.

Below are some details about the event:

- Teams have been formed based on shared legislators, and we have tried to keep branch members together where possible. Teams typically consist of 3-5 members, and a Team Leader has been designated for every team.
- Team Leader responsibilities can be found *here*.
- In some instances where there is only one AAUW member in a district, the Lobby Days committee has assigned out-of-district members to fill out the team.
- We are working to schedule meetings with 49 Assembly offices and 29 Senate offices. We will provide details of your meeting day/time and the Zoom link as soon as these are available.
- Remember, the purpose of Lobby Days is to convey AAUW California's message to our elected officials by advancing our priority bills and asking for their support. In order to do this we need to defer to their schedules, so we may not always be able to accommodate the schedule requests that you had indicated on your registration form. Flexibility is key to making this work for everyone.

The three priority bills that we will be advancing on Lobby Days are:

- AB 2843 Health Care Coverage for Rape and Sexual Assault Survivors
- AB 2326 Public Postsecondary Education: Title IX
- AB 2099 Protecting Reproductive Health Clinics

Bill fact sheets and talking points will be posted on the website shortly.

Our committee will be reviewing all this information with you at the mandatory training webinar on Monday, March 25th at 7:00 pm. Register <u>HERE</u> if you have not already done so. You will receive a reminder prior to the meeting. We look forward to seeing you there.