

Candidate Survey

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Instructions:

Please select SUPPORT or OPPOSE to the following questions. If you want to make additional comments, you can do so by selecting the COMMENT button. When you are finished, press **SUBMIT** and your form will be updated. If you have any questions, contact Karen

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Survey Question

1 Do you support or oppose rigorous accountability measures for K-12 educators, such as reform of merit pay and tenure systems?

Your Position

SupportOppose COMMENTS »

CANDIDATE COMMENTS:

I think that teaching is more of an art than a science and it does not lend itself to the type of rigorous accountability that we currently have. I am for reforming merit pay and tenure, but not based on traditional accountability measures.

2 Do you support or oppose development of the Keystone • Pipeline?

COMMENTS »

Support • Oppose

CANDIDATE COMMENTS:

My leaning is that there are environmental problems associated with the Keystone Pipeline. I would like to learn more about this issue.

3 Do you support or oppose the development of coal technology to use more domestic coal and replace dependency on foreign energy sources?

● Support ● Oppose COMMENTS »

CANDIDATE COMMENTS:

I definitely want to move away from dependence on foreign energy sources because I think that fossil fuel protection should be an element of foreign policy. I support exploration of new coal technology so long as: (a) it is more environmentally sound than it currently is, (b) workers are well-paid, and (c) improvements are made to ensure mine safety.

- 4 Do you support or oppose federal legislative and regulatory efforts to regulate greenhouse gas emissions through the Clean Air Act?
- Support Oppose COMMENTS >>
- 5 Do you support or oppose reducing U.S. government debt through entitlement reform?
- Support Oppose
- 6 Do you support or oppose Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act?
- Support Oppose COMMENTS »

CANDIDATE COMMENTS:

I think that the Affordable Care Act is preferable to the system that we had prior to its passage and implementation. In the long run, I favor Medicare for all.

7 Do you support or oppose market-based health care reforms such as small business health plans, health savings accounts, transparency, and tax deductibility of premiums?



CANDIDATE COMMENTS:

I favor Medicare for all so that we can eliminate the private health insurance companies that take premiums from individuals and corporations while not adding any value to our health care system.

8 Do you support or oppose the premise that U.S. borders must first be secured before expanding the opportunity for citizenship of unlawful immigrant workers?



CANDIDATE COMMENTS:

These need to be done hand in hand, with compassion an equal consideration to deterring illegal immigration.

9 Do you support or oppose changing union organizing laws to force employees to make decisions about forming a union in public and in front of union organizers?



CANDIDATE COMMENTS:

When there are grievances, it is human nature to meet without the presence of those with whom one has issues. There is often conflict between management and workers. Managers are allowed to meet privately, why can't workers?

10 Do you support or oppose the repeal of the estate / death tax?



CANDIDATE COMMENTS:

A family has a legitimate interest in wealth that can be handed down from generation to generation. Society has a interest in limiting the concentration of wealth, particularly that which is unearned. We must work to keep a balance of interests.

11 Do you support or oppose tax reform that would lower the corporate tax rate to a level that would enable U.S. business to compete successfully in the global market?



CANDIDATE COMMENTS:

I certainly want the U.S. to compete on more of a level playing field in the global market. Businesses could be much more competitive if we had Medicare for all and health care costs would be eliminated.

12 Do you support or oppose enactment of laws and trade agreements designed to reduce or eliminate foreign barriers to U.S. exports?

■ Support ■ Oppose COMMENTS»

CANDIDATE COMMENTS:

However, I think that United States corporations should not expand exports in kind for importing products made with cheap labor under unsafe working conditions.

- 13 Do you support or oppose protecting American business' intellectual property both domestically and abroad?
- Support Oppose COMMENTS ≫
- 14 Do you support or oppose expanding the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) and its regulations to cover employee absences beyond health conditions for individuals or family members?
 - Support Oppose
- 15 Do you support or oppose increasing the federal minimum wage?
- Support Oppose COMMENTS »

CANDIDATE COMMENTS:

I would like to see the federal minimum wage raised at least to \$10.10 per hour.

SUBMIT »