



2020 North Carolina Voter Guide

Questionnaire for State Candidates

Candidate Information

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Candidate Questionnaire

Please indicate your position on the following issues by marking "Yes," "No," or "Undecided."
You may provide additional comments and explanations for your responses on a separate sheet of paper.
(Failure to answer a question will result in a listing of "No Response" in the 2020 Voter Guide.)

- Should lower income parents who choose to educate their children in a non-public school be eligible to receive a state-funded scholarship grant to assist with the cost of tuition and fees?
 Yes No Undecided
- Should the advertising budget for the State Lottery be increased in an effort to increase lottery ticket sales?
 Yes No Undecided
- Should the N.C. Lottery Commission authorize the use of "digital instants," which would be equivalent to instituting Internet-based video poker or video sweepstakes operated online by the State Lottery?
 Yes No Undecided
- Should the State offer tax breaks and other financial benefits as an incentive for businesses to locate in N.C.?
 Yes No Undecided
- Should state nondiscrimination laws include "sexual orientation" and "gender identity" as protected classifications?
 Yes No Undecided
- Should North Carolina continue to provide abstinence until marriage sexuality education in public schools?
 Yes No Undecided

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7. Should organizations that provide abortions be allowed to receive state funds?

Yes No Undecided

8. Should North Carolina law allow a medical professional to assist another person in ending their life?

Yes No Undecided

9. Should state law require a health care practitioner, who is present at the time a child is born alive after a failed abortion attempt, to exercise the same degree of skill, care and diligence to preserve the life and health of that child as would be expected for any other child born alive at the same gestational age?

Yes No Undecided

10. Should access to public multiple occupancy bathrooms, showers and changing facilities be based on an individual's biological sex as designated on their birth certificate?

Yes No Undecided

11. Should churches and other qualified religious organizations continue to receive tax-exempt status?

Yes No Undecided

12. Should the number of terms a state legislator may serve in the North Carolina General Assembly be limited?

Yes No Undecided

13. Should a person's religious beliefs influence the decisions they make while serving in public office?

Yes No Undecided

14. Should North Carolina legalize the use of marijuana for medical purposes?

Yes No Undecided

15. Should the N.C. General Assembly reinstate a cap on the number of public charter schools in North Carolina?

Yes No Undecided

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**Please return completed questionnaire to the
NC Family Policy Council by Friday, June 19, 2020**

By mail to: NCFPC, P.O. Box 20607, Raleigh, NC 27619

By Email to: vote@ncfamily.org

By Fax to: (919) 807-0900

Additional Comments and Clarifications

- 1.) I am a fierce advocate of School Choice here in North Carolina. I believe that every child deserves a quality education regardless of their parents income or zip-code. I support a fully funded Voucher Program, Education Savings Account Program, or an expanded Opportunity Scholarship Program that would cover every North Carolina student. I believe we should prioritize the student over the system. No one understands the individual needs, strengths, and weaknesses of an individual student better than the parent. We should empower parents with the freedom to choose the best path for their child.
- 2.) I think we should end the state lottery and return to direct, transparent education funding. I view the lottery as an immoral means for acquisition of state revenue. Multiple studies have shown that the majority of lottery sales come disproportionately from low income areas. The lottery in effect is a tax on the poor. I support cutting taxes.
- 3.) See the previous clarification (number 2.)
- 4.) Any tax breaks and incentives should be standard across the board. We should foster an economic environment here in North Carolina where companies compete to do business with us. The government should never be in the business of offering special incentives thereby allowing bureaucrats and politicians to pick winners and losers in the market.
- 5.) No one should ever be discriminated against based on sexual preference or gender identity. Thankfully the Supreme Court has recently ruled that the LGBTQ community is already protected under federal non-discrimination law. With that said, how we define discrimination is crucially important. No one should ever be compelled by the state to violate their religious beliefs protected under the First Amendment. Religious liberty should never be misconstrued as discrimination.
- 6.) The American College of Pediatricians strongly endorses abstinence until marriage education. Studies have shown that individuals who abstain until marriage are much more likely to attend and graduate college, more likely to have a long and happy marriage, more likely to have a fulfilling sex life during marriage, much less likely to get divorced, less likely to contract an STI, and much less likely to experience an unwanted pregnancy. The social science surrounding abstinence education could not be more clear.
- 7.) I am proudly and unapologetically 100% Pro-Life. Absolutely no state funds should subsidize the abortion industry.
- 8.) I oppose physician assisted suicide. We must protect and defend the sanctity of life at the beginning of life and at the end.
- 9.) It's sad that this is even a question in 2020 America. Let me be explicitly clear: A baby should never be left to die under any circumstances without every effort

being made to save her life. Allowing a baby to die scared and alone on a cold table is grotesque and inhumane. It's infanticide.

- 10.) I think public bathrooms should be limited to biological sex. However, I don't think the government should be in the business of checking people's privates or their birth certificate to enter a public bathroom either.
- 11.) Churches are among the most charitable organizations in the world. Removing tax exempt status would harm every organization and individual beneficiaries of churches charitable giving.
- 12.) I believe in term limits so much that my very first campaign promise was to self impose them on my own candidacy. I will not run for more than two terms in the Senate. I hope to start a trend where the career politician is replaced with a public servant in accordance with the vision of our founders.
- 13.) My religious beliefs inform every facet of my character. They are the most important part of me. It would be impossible for me to leave them at the door of the legislature. Is it fair that, for example an atheist, would be allowed to bring every piece of them to the legislative table; all of the secular humanist philosophy that is most important to them, yet as a Christian I am somehow expected to check the most important pieces of my own philosophy at the door? That doesn't make much sense to me.
- 14.) A recent poll has shown that 80% of North Carolinians agree with legalizing marijuana for medical use. North Carolina has some of the finest medical facilities in the world. We should empower them with the ability to innovate with what has been shown to be a very promising drug.
- 15.) I support charter schools 100%. I think we should allow the market to decide how many are needed.