

Kentucky  
Candidate  
Information  
Survey



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30<sup>th</sup> HOUSE  
DISTRICT



Rep. Tom Burch



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Kentucky!

<i>Kentucky should continue its participation in the national Common Core State Standards Initiative.</i>	" <b>UNDECIDED.</b> I have had no complaints about Common Core in my district."	<b>Candidate chose not to participate.</b>
<i>Kentucky leaders have neglected to reform the state's antiquated tax system. This should be a top priority.</i>	" <b>STRONGLY AGREE.</b> I have wanted to do this since Gov. Brown was governor."	
<i>Kentucky should continue to allow Instant Racing slot machines to operate even though their legality is still in question in the courts.</i>	" <b>STRONGLY AGREE.</b> "	
<i>Kentucky should pass legislation raising the minimum wage.</i>	" <b>STRONGLY AGREE.</b> No one can live on \$7.50 per hour."	
<i>The General Assembly should acknowledge global warming and work to limit Kentucky's contribution to it.</i>	" <b>STRONGLY AGREE.</b> There is only one world, and we must protect our people."	
<i>With one exception in the last 10 years, House Leadership has barred debate on pro-life bills on the House Floor. It should reverse this practice.</i>	" <b>STRONGLY DISAGREE.</b> Abortion is the law of the land. When the law is changed, I will support it."	
<i>Public schools should allow students to use bathrooms and locker rooms in accordance with their "gender identity."</i>	" <b>UNDECIDED.</b> This is not an issue I would be willing to fight for."	
<i>Charter schools should be allowed throughout Kentucky.</i>	" <b>STRONGLY DISAGREE.</b> Charter schools don't have good results in most states (improve public schools)."	
<i>The best way to deal with the state's budget limitations is to cut spending, not raise taxes.</i>	" <b>UNDECIDED.</b> This is a loaded question."	
<i>The General Assembly should vote to legalize marijuana.</i>	" <b>AGREE.</b> It seems to have some medical value. Should be studied."	
<i>The practice of mountaintop removal should be prohibited in Kentucky.</i>	" <b>STRONGLY AGREE.</b> "	
<i>Students should be allowed to voluntarily express religious and political opinions and have equal access to public forums in public schools.</i>	" <b>STRONGLY DISAGREE.</b> Religion is not allowed in public schools."	

**About the Kentucky Candidate Information Survey (KCIS) . . .**

• The purpose of the **KCIS** is to reliably report candidates' views to voters in order to improve:

- 1) voter knowledge of the candidates;
- 2) voter participation; and
- 3) the quality of the democratic process.

• The **KCIS** is designed to neutrally, yet concisely, report the candidates' views in their own words on a broad range of issues. Each candidate was asked to respond to the assertions listed and was given 20 words to qualify his or her response. This issues-only, head-to-head approach avoids pushing a particular agenda, but at the same time, cuts through the political rhetoric often found in campaign literature.

• The **KCIS** is a non-partisan project of the Family Trust Foundation of Kentucky, a non-profit educational organization incorporated in order to encourage and strengthen families in our state. Encouraging responsible citizenship and increasing voter participation are two of its objectives.

• For more information on the **KCIS**, call (859) 255-5300; or for more information on the candidates, visit:

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Jefferson County

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***The Decision is Yours!***

**Candidate chose  
not to participate.**

*Public schools and universities should pay the higher "prevailing wage" standards for their construction projects.*

"**AGREE.** That's the law."

*Personal and creative service businesses should not be forced to produce goods or services that violate their rights of conscience.*

"**STRONGLY DISAGREE.** This is reverse discrimination."

*Illegal immigrants should be prohibited from obtaining drivers' licenses and receiving other government services.*

"**UNDECIDED.**"

*Kentucky should conform to President Obama's gun safety executive order.*

"**STRONGLY DISAGREE.** Machine guns were not allowed to be sold in the late 1920s and 1930s. No one complained."

*Kentucky should not become a Right to Work state.*

"**STRONGLY AGREE.** Right to work laws are used in some states to break unions."

*Schools should familiarize students with all sides of scientific debates on issues like evolution and global warming.*

"**STRONGLY AGREE.**"

*Tuition for Kentucky's two largest universities have increased almost three-fold since 2002. There should be limitations placed on such increases.*

"**STRONGLY AGREE.** If this continues, only the rich will be able to attend college."

*Private companies should be allowed to exercise eminent domain over private property to ensure the successful completion of the Bluegrass Pipeline.*

"**STRONGLY DISAGREE.**"

*List your top three priorities should you be elected.*

"1. Mental health.  
2. Education.  
3. Job creation."

· On **Tuesday, November 8**, voters will go to the polls to vote in the Fall Election. Ballots will include candidates for President, U.S. Senate, U.S. House of Representatives, Kentucky Senate (odd-numbered districts only) and House of Representatives. Please note that not all districts have a contested race.

· For more information on your voter registration status or to find out what district you live in, please contact your county clerk or visit the Secretary of State's Voter Information Center:

[sos.ky.gov/elections](http://sos.ky.gov/elections)

***Special Thanks to the Candidates . . .***

We want to thank all the candidates who participated in the **Survey** and all those who considered our invitation but chose not to respond. We are grateful to everyone who stepped forward to offer their leadership by running for office in our great Commonwealth.

***To Kentucky citizens . . .***

We trust that you as a citizen of Kentucky have been served by this endeavor and that you will in turn serve your community by voting your conscience on **Tuesday, November 8**.

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