

Kentucky  
Candidate  
Information  
Survey



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James DeWeese



50<sup>th</sup> HOUSE  
DISTRICT



Chad McCoy

Vote  
Kentucky!

*Kentucky should continue its participation in the national Common Core State Standards Initiative.*

*Kentucky leaders have neglected to reform the state's antiquated tax system. This should be a top priority.*

*Kentucky should continue to allow Instant Racing slot machines to operate even though their legality is still in question in the courts.*

*Kentucky should pass legislation raising the minimum wage.*

*The General Assembly should acknowledge global warming and work to limit Kentucky's contribution to it.*

*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.*

*Public schools should allow students to use bathrooms and locker rooms in accordance with their "gender identity."*

*Charter schools should be allowed throughout Kentucky.*

*The best way to deal with the state's budget limitations is to cut spending, not raise taxes.*

*The General Assembly should vote to legalize marijuana.*

*The practice of mountaintop removal should be prohibited in Kentucky.*

*Students should be allowed to voluntarily express religious and political opinions and have equal access to public forums in public schools.*

Candidate chose  
not to participate.

**"DISAGREE.** We need to return power over our local schools to parents and teachers, not federal government."

**"STRONGLY AGREE.** I support tax reform but would lower the tax burden on families and encourage business investment and job creation."

**"UNDECIDED.** Supreme Court is looking at this. I would like to hear their ruling."

**"STRONGLY DISAGREE.** Unnecessary burden on economy that would not help its intended beneficiaries."

**"AGREE.** This needs to be done in a responsible way that does not hurt working families."

**"STRONGLY AGREE.** We must change the leadership in the House."

**"UNDECIDED.** Obama's directive is an example of the type of federal overreach I will fight against."

**"STRONGLY AGREE."**

**"STRONGLY AGREE.** We cannot continue to load our debts on the future generations."

**"AGREE.** In some forms and subject to tax and distribution systems in place."

**"DISAGREE."**

**"STRONGLY AGREE.** We cannot and should not infringe on the 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment."

**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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**Be sure to take  
time to vote on  
Tuesday,  
November 8!**



# 50<sup>th</sup> HOUSE DISTRICT

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## The Decision is Yours!

· 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**.

<p><i>Public schools and universities should pay the higher "prevailing wage" standards for their construction projects.</i></p>	<p><b>Candidate chose not to participate.</b></p>	<p><b>"STRONGLY DISAGREE.</b> Repealing prevailing wage will save almost 8% - leaving more money for students."</p>
<p><i>Personal and creative service businesses should not be forced to produce goods or services that violate their rights of conscience.</i></p>		<p><b>"STRONGLY AGREE."</b></p>
<p><i>Illegal immigrants should be prohibited from obtaining drivers' licenses and receiving other government services.</i></p>		<p><b>"DISAGREE."</b></p>
<p><i>Kentucky should conform to President Obama's gun safety executive order.</i></p>		<p><b>"STRONGLY DISAGREE.</b> I fully support the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment and will fight any effort to weaken it."</p>
<p><i>Kentucky should not become a Right to Work state.</i></p>		<p><b>"UNDECIDED."</b></p>
<p><i>Schools should familiarize students with all sides of scientific debates on issues like evolution and global warming.</i></p>		<p><b>"AGREE.</b> Students should be exposed to all scientific theories, but not indoctrinated."</p>
<p><i>Tuition for Kentucky's two largest universities have increased almost three-fold since 2002. There should be limitations placed on such increases.</i></p>		<p><b>"UNDECIDED.</b> Universities need to cut spending."</p>
<p><i>Private companies should be allowed to exercise eminent domain over private property to ensure the successful completion of the Bluegrass Pipeline.</i></p>		<p><b>"DISAGREE."</b></p>
<p><i>List your top three priorities should you be elected.</i></p>		<p>"1. Good paying jobs. 2. Fix pension system. 3. Stop federal overreach."</p>

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