

Kentucky
Candidate
Information
Survey



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99th HOUSE
DISTRICT



Rep. Rocky Adkins



Wendy Fletcher

<p><i>Kentucky should continue its participation in the national Common Core State Standards Initiative.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Candidate chose not to participate.</p>	<p>“STRONGLY DISAGREE. Education is a state right. The federal government needs to leave curriculum standards to the state and local school boards.”</p>
<p><i>Kentucky leaders have neglected to reform the state’s antiquated tax system. This should be a top priority.</i></p>		<p>“STRONGLY AGREE. We need comprehensive tax reform in Kentucky to lessen the burden on working families and grow new jobs.”</p>
<p><i>Kentucky should continue to allow Instant Racing slot machines to operate even though their legality is still in question in the courts.</i></p>		<p>“STRONGLY DISAGREE. Slot machines and gambling do not strengthen Kentucky families or improve the condition of working class citizens.”</p>
<p><i>Kentucky should pass legislation raising the minimum wage.</i></p>		<p>“STRONGLY DISAGREE. Raising the minimum wage discourages small business development and could result in job loss and closures.”</p>
<p><i>The General Assembly should acknowledge global warming and work to limit Kentucky’s contribution to it.</i></p>		<p>“STRONGLY DISAGREE. Kentucky’s coal industry has provided cheap and efficient energy for decades. I do not support killing coal for any reason.”</p>
<p><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></p>		<p>“STRONGLY AGREE. Life should be protected. We need new leadership in the Kentucky House who understand and support pro-life bills.”</p>
<p><i>Public schools should allow students to use bathrooms and locker rooms in accordance with their “gender identity.”</i></p>		<p>“STRONGLY DISAGREE. Obama’s mandate was blocked by the court. I will fight to assure students are not subjected to sharing restrooms with opposite sexes.”</p>
<p><i>Charter schools should be allowed throughout Kentucky.</i></p>		<p>“STRONGLY AGREE. Parents should not be forced to send their child to a failing school. Public tax dollars for education should follow the child to their school of choice.”</p>
<p><i>The best way to deal with the state’s budget limitations is to cut spending, not raise taxes.</i></p>		<p>“STRONGLY AGREE. We cannot continue to load debt onto our children that they will never be able to repay, nor raise taxes.”</p>
<p><i>The General Assembly should vote to legalize marijuana.</i></p>		<p>“STRONGLY DISAGREE. Addiction in our state is rampant; legalizing marijuana for recreational use would be a disaster for our state.”</p>
<p><i>The practice of mountaintop removal should be prohibited in Kentucky.</i></p>		<p>“DISAGREE. Kentucky has the ingenuity to make the most of its resources, including reclamation of mined land.”</p>
<p><i>Students should be allowed to voluntarily express religious and political opinions and have equal access to public forums in public schools.</i></p>		<p>“STRONGLY AGREE. American citizens, regardless of age, have the inalienable right to freedom of speech, regardless of forum, including prayer.”</p>

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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!



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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

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>Candidate chose not to participate.</p>	<p>"STRONGLY DISAGREE. It makes no sense to me that taxpayers should have to pay more for public construction projects."</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>"STRONGLY AGREE. No one should be forced to violate their rights of conscience for any reason."</p>
<p><i>Illegal immigrants should be prohibited from obtaining drivers' licenses and receiving other government services.</i></p>		<p>"STRONGLY AGREE. We need to secure our borders and ensure anyone entering our state or country is doing so through legal means."</p>
<p><i>Kentucky should conform to President Obama's gun safety executive order.</i></p>		<p>"STRONGLY DISAGREE. The right to bear arms shall not for any reason be infringed upon by law-abiding citizens in this country."</p>
<p><i>Kentucky should not become a Right to Work state.</i></p>		<p>"DISAGREE. We need jobs; unions may provide jobs, but workers should be allowed to decide whether or not to pay dues."</p>
<p><i>Schools should familiarize students with all sides of scientific debates on issues like evolution and global warming.</i></p>		<p>"AGREE. I do not oppose scientific, moral or ethical debate but do oppose indoctrination of students on any subject."</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>"STRONGLY AGREE. Again, cuts outside the classroom should be made before students are burdened any further with tuition increases."</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>"STRONGLY DISAGREE. I am against eminent domain for any reason other than securing public safety."</p>
<p><i>List your top three priorities should you be elected.</i></p>		<p>"1. Attract and retain new jobs. 2. Fix broken pension system. 3. Push back against federal overreach and assure state rights are not infringed."</p>

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