

Kentucky Candidate Information Survey



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Sen. Rick Girdler



15th SENATE DISTRICT



Larry Nichols

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<p><i>The best way to prepare Kentucky students for the modern economy is a strong, content-rich, basic education for every child.</i></p>	<p>“STRONGLY AGREE. Reading, writing, arithmetic, get back to basics.”</p>	<p>“STRONGLY AGREE. I have taught history and political science for years (HS/College). My wife, daughters, 3 sisters, brother, sister-in-law, niece, and aunt are/have been teachers.”</p>
<p><i>Leaders should make reforming Kentucky's antiquated tax system a top priority.</i></p>	<p>“STRONGLY AGREE. Consumption tax with some income tax. Lower income tax - more consumer money to buy.”</p>	<p>“STRONGLY AGREE.”</p>
<p><i>In Kentucky schools, women should compete against biological women (not biological men who identify as women) in athletic contests.</i></p>	<p>“STRONGLY AGREE. Co-sponsored a bill in 2020 Session! Will do again.”</p>	<p>“STRONGLY AGREE. That's just simple common sense.”</p>
<p><i>Kentucky should pass legislation raising the minimum wage.</i></p>	<p>“DISAGREE. Let market tell us what needs to be paid as wages.”</p>	<p>“UNDECIDED. I have to look at the details of any proposed legislation.”</p>
<p><i>The state should acknowledge global warming and work to limit Kentucky's contribution to it.</i></p>	<p>“STRONGLY DISAGREE. Not a strong believer in global warming or the people that preach it!”</p>	<p>“UNDECIDED. I have to look at the details of any proposed legislation.”</p>
<p><i>The state should stop U of L's partnership with Louisville's oldest abortion clinic.</i></p>	<p>“STRONGLY AGREE. Stop all abortion clinics and hospitals.”</p>	<p>“STRONGLY AGREE. Have you ever noticed that everyone who is for abortion has already been born.”</p>
<p><i>Public schools should allow students to use bathrooms and locker rooms in accordance with their chosen gender identity.</i></p>	<p>“STRONGLY DISAGREE. Boys in male bathroom, girls in female, no questions.”</p>	<p>“STRONGLY DISAGREE. It's called common sense and decency. See statement #3.”</p>
<p><i>A tuition tax-credit system should be established for needy students wanting to go to non-public schools.</i></p>	<p>“AGREE. Just don't want government to tell Christian schools what to do.”</p>	<p>“AGREE.”</p>
<p><i>To reduce teen pregnancies, minors should have access to contraception without parental knowledge.</i></p>	<p>“STRONGLY DISAGREE. Any child under 18, parents should know.”</p>	<p>“DISAGREE.”</p>
<p><i>Kentucky should legalize recreational marijuana.</i></p>	<p>“STRONGLY DISAGREE. No way.”</p>	<p>“STRONGLY DISAGREE. I'm a volunteer in the KY Prison System. Have been for many years. I know first-hand of many inmates who started their life of crime with marijuana.”</p>
<p><i>The legislature should pass a statewide “Fairness Ordinance.”</i></p>	<p>“STRONGLY DISAGREE. We have fairness now - don't need life style fairness!”</p>	<p>“STRONGLY DISAGREE. These ordinances are not fair to Christians.”</p>
<p><i>Churches and religious groups must be protected from state discrimination on the basis of their beliefs about marriage and sexuality.</i></p>	<p>“STRONGLY AGREE. Leave churches to teach God's Word not man's word.”</p>	<p>“STRONGLY AGREE. It's called the First Amendment.”</p>

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.

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Be sure to take time to vote on Tuesday, June 23!

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**15th SENATE
DISTRICT**



Republican Candidates

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The Decision is Yours!

● On **Tuesday, June 23**, voters will go to the polls to vote in the Spring Primary Election. Ballots will include State House and Senate seats, Congressional seats, and a U.S Senate seat, as well as certain judicial races. Note: 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, June 23**.

<i>To protect the poor, the state should act to curb exorbitant interest rates charged by payday lending companies.</i>	" AGREE. I had a bill that did that!"	" AGREE. "
<i>Personal and creative service businesses should not be forced to produce goods or services that violate their rights of conscience.</i>	" STRONGLY AGREE. Freedom of religion and beliefs should be with the individual's business."	" STRONGLY AGREE. Re-read the First Amendment."
<i>Illegal immigrants should be prohibited from obtaining driver's licenses and other government documents.</i>	" STRONGLY AGREE. Go back to State Dept, get legal."	" AGREE. If they are illegal, they should not be here."
<i>Recent school shootings prove that we need more restrictive gun laws.</i>	" STRONGLY DISAGREE. Guns don't kill - man kills."	" STRONGLY DISAGREE. The school shootings prove we need parents, teachers, and other adult leaders teaching positive moral behavior."
<i>Because they leave children sterile for life, transgender surgeries and hormone treatments on minors should be banned.</i>	" STRONGLY AGREE. Can't smoke 'til 21, can't do this 'til 21."	" STRONGLY AGREE. Nichols for common sense. That is child abuse."
<i>Schools should familiarize students with all sides of debates on issues like evolution and global warming.</i>	"_____. All sides of debate. Not dominated by the left!"	" STRONGLY AGREE. The key word here is <u>is</u> ". Also, students need to understand the difference between facts and opinions (theories)."
<i>Kentucky should pass expanded gambling legislation to fund state pensions.</i>	" STRONGLY DISAGREE. Gambling would cost more than it makes."	" STRONGLY AGREE. Have you ever thought of how many men and women care in prison today because of gambling addictions."
<i>University of Kentucky's tuition is now several times higher than in 2002. All state college tuition increases should be limited.</i>	" STRONGLY AGREE. Seems that in times past, when students receive more financial help, the university increases tuition that same amount."	" STRONGLY AGREE. "
<i>List your top three priorities should you be elected.</i>	"1. No Red Flag Law! 2. SB 9 - the pro-life bill needs to be done first! 3. Constitutional Amendment to reign in Governor's over-reach during pandemic."	"1. Pro-life and education. 2. Term limits. 3. Prison and tax reform."

**The decision is yours . . .
Make it wisely!**