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GENERAL ELECTION

Tuesday, November 7, 2017

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2. COMPLETELY FILL IN THE OVAL TO THE LEFT OF YOUR CHOICE LIKE THIS ●.
3. TO VOTE FOR A PERSON NOT ON THE BALLOT FOR AN OFFICE, WRITE THE NAME ON THE LINE PROVIDED AND COMPLETELY FILL IN THE OVAL TO THE LEFT OF THAT NAME.

Governor (Vote for only one)

- Ralph S. Northam - D
- Edward W. "Ed" Gillespie - R
- Clifford D. Hyra - L

Write-In

Lieutenant Governor (Vote for only one)

- Justin E. Fairfax - D
- Jill H. Vogel - R

Write-In

Attorney General (Vote for only one)

- Mark R. Herring - D
- John D. Adams - R

Write-In

Member House of Delegates 58th District (Vote for only one)

- Kellen J. Squire - D
- Robert B. Bell III - R

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Candidates in this guide appear in the same order as they do on this sample ballot

Voting Guidelines

Voting Requirements:

- Be registered to vote in Virginia
- Be a US citizen
- Be 18 by Election Day, Nov. 7
- Reside at a Virginia address
- Not be convicted of a felony, unless your voting rights have been restored
- Not currently judged incompetent by a court

In-person ID requirements:

- A Virginia driver's license or Photo ID
- A Veteran's ID from Virginia DMV
- US Military ID
- A US Passport
- A student ID issued by a Virginia college or private school

Voting in Person:

- Early Voting: Sept. 22 to Nov. 4
- Vote on Election Day, Nov. 7

Absentee Ballots:

- Deadline to request an absentee ballot by mail is 5 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 31
- Deadline to request an absentee ballot in-person is 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 4

Governor Candidate Ralph S. Northam (D)

Education:

- Supports increasing state funding for charter schools on the condition public schools do not lose funding as a result.
- Supports decreased reliance of standardized testing and reevaluation of testing standards for elementary schoolers
- Supports increased STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics) education.
- Supports introduction of Get skilled - Get a job - Give back program.
- Supports apprenticeships and job training in last two years of high school for non-college bound students.

Healthcare:

- Opposes measures barring abortion from being covered by healthcare plans sold in the state exchange.
- Supports expansion of Medicaid.
- Supports calling for VA reform at the federal level.
- Supports expanding access to new substance abuse treatments and drug courts.
- Supports increased access to contraceptives and continued access to abortions.



Jobs and Economy:

- Supports two year merchant's capital; Business, Professional, and occupational Licensing tax exemption for small businesses in rural areas.
- Supports complete audit of state spending.
- Supports raising the minimum wage.
- Supports thorough vetting of Atlantic Coast and Mountain Valley pipelines.
- Supports extending legislation which helps veterans find civilian employment.

Social Issues:

- Supports decriminalization of marijuana.
- Opposes measures that would limit entry to the state based on race, religion or country of origin.
- Supports creating non-partisan commission to draw legislative and congressional districts.
- Supports expansion of firearms regulations.
- Called for removal of statues honoring leaders of the confederate states of America.

Governor Candidate Edward Gillespie (R)

Education:

- Supports expansion of charter schools.
- Supports establishment of Education Savings Accounts.
- Supports reevaluation of testing standards for public school students.
- Supports increased STEM-H (science, technology, engineering, mathematics and health) education.
- Supports standards of learning that account for both growth and achievement.



License tax, Machinery and tools tax, and Merchants Capital tax.

- Supports implementation of zero-based budgeting, which requires all spending to be justified at least once every ten years.
- Supports construction of Atlantic Coast and Mountain Valley pipelines.
- Supports passing of legislation allowing veterans qualified for specialized jobs to more easily receive the corresponding civilian qualification.

Healthcare:

- Opposes expansion of Medicaid.
- Supports construction of two additional veterans care facilities.
- Supports appointment of Virginia Women Veterans Coordinator.
- Supports increased funding for drug abuse programs in schools.
- Supports reevaluation of opioid prescription standards and expansion of state's prescription monitoring program.

Social Issues:

- Opposes decriminalization of marijuana.
- Supports measures that would require local governments to comply with federal immigration law.
- Opposes expansion of firearms regulations.
- Supports reintroduction of Project Exile, which increased rate of prosecution under federal rather than state firearms laws.
- Supports confederate statues remaining, but with historical context

Jobs and Economy:

- Supports 10 percent cut to individual income tax over three year period.
- Supports three year phase out of Business and Professional Occupancy

Governor Candidate Clifford Hyra (L)

Education:

- Supports expansion of Virginia's charter school program.
- Proposes repealing Standards of Quality funding formula and replacing SOQs and SOLs (Standards of Learning) with growth measure testing.
- Wants to invest in expansion of successful career and technical schools.
- Proposes a program to find budget savings by improving energy efficiency of schools in disrepair.
- Wants to make schools more adaptable and competitive.



exemption of \$30,000 for individuals, and income above this to be taxed at a flat 5.75 percent.

- Proposes a two year freeze on new state spending.
- Proposes ending the Business, Professional and Occupational Licensing tax, Merchant Capital tax, Machine and Tool tax, and Business Personal Property tax.
- Opposes statewide increase to minimum wage.
- Opposes construction of Atlantic Coast and Mountain Valley pipelines.

Healthcare:

- Proposes reformation of Virginia's Medicaid waiver system with family means testing.
- Proposes repealing Certificate of Public Need regulations.
- Supports allowing purchase of insurance across state lines to increase competition, reduce costs, and facilitate innovation.
- Supports price transparency to facilitate a more market based healthcare system in Virginia.
- Supports using best practices from other states to achieve better outcomes and efficiency.

Social Issues:

- Supports decriminalization of marijuana.
- Supports prohibiting discrimination in public employment on basis of sexual orientation or gender identity.
- Opposes partisan based redistricting.
- Opposes expansion of Firearms regulation.
- Supports local government making decisions in regards to Confederate Monuments.

Jobs and Economy:

- Supports exemption of first \$60,000 of household income from state tax,

Lt. Governor Candidate Justin Fairfax (D)

Education:

- Supports state funded pre-kindergarten education for all Virginians.
- Supports restructuring and lowering student loan debt.
- Supports continued efforts to reforming SOL (Standards of Learning) to a less test-based model.



- Supports increasing access to contraception and abortions.

Jobs and Economy:

- Supports raising the minimum wage to \$15/hour.
- Supports equal pay for equal work and plans to minimize the wage gap.
- Supports government restructuring of student loan debt.

Social Issues:

Healthcare:

- Supports expanding Medicaid to all Virginians.
- Supports protection for people with pre-existing conditions.
- Supports treatment over incarceration for users of opioids in VA.

- Supports open discussion about resolutions to climate change.
- Supports increasing clean energy.
- Supports same-sex marriage.
- Supports restrictions on gun ownership through background checks and assault weapon bans.

Lt. Governor Candidate Jill Vogel (R)

Education:

- Supports reform to make college more affordable.
- Supports ban on in-state tuition for illegal immigrants.
- Supports charter schools.

Healthcare:

- Supports "evidence-based prevention, treatment, and innovative diversion programs" to combat opioid epidemic.
- Opposes Obamacare's individual mandate.
- Anti-abortion.



Social Issues:

- Opposes sanctuary cities.
- Supports stronger ethical standards for politicians.
- Supports the Second Amendment and has A+ rating from NRA.
- Introduced bills to allow state law enforcement to initiate deportation proceedings.
- Supports Atlantic Coast and Mountain Valley pipelines.
- Supports ban on "Bump Stocks" for semi automatic weapons.
- Supports treatment for non-violent drug offenders over jail time.

Jobs and Economy:

- Supports reducing regulations and tax burden.

Attorney Gen. Candidate Mark Herring (D)

Education:

- Supports increasing public school funding.

Healthcare:

- Pro-abortion rights
- Publicly opposed Trump's Contraception coverage rollback.
- Supports increasing government funded healthcare coverage.

Jobs and Economy:

- Supports Virginia's conservation easement tax program.
- Opposes cuts to EPA and the Chesapeake Bay Program.
- Supports pay equity.

Social Issues:

- Believes in a "comprehensive strategy that emphasizes education, prevention, and treatment alongside enforcement" when tackling opioid epidemic.
- Has helped officers train in implicit bias control, de-escalation, and crisis intervention.
- Supports universal background checks to purchase any firearm.
- Supports Virginia's "one handgun a month" law.
- Supports developing clean energy and addressing climate change.
- Opposes President Trump's seven nation travel ban and supports DREAM Act and DACA.



Attorney Gen. Candidate John Adams (R)

Education:

- Supports school choice.

Healthcare:

- Anti-abortion.
- Supported Trump's contraceptive coverage rollback.
- Supports combating drug abuse.

Jobs and Economy:

- Supports right-to-work laws.
- Opposes Obama administration's power plant regulations.
- Opposes federal restrictions on small businesses.

Social Issues:

- Believes in prevention and education, treatment, and enforcement when it comes to tackling the opioid epidemic.
- Supports a "tough on crime" approach when it comes to drug dealing, human trafficking, and violence.
- Believes in enforcing existing gun laws.
- Supports the Second Amendment.
- Opposes same-sex marriage.
- Opposes discrimination based on religious faith.



25th Dis. House of Delegates Candidates

Angela Lynn (D) and Steven Landes (R)



Education:

- Supports increased funding for the public school system and pre-kindergarten education.

Healthcare:

- Supports expansion of Medicaid.

Jobs and Economy:

- Supports expansion of Medicaid as a chance for economic growth in Virginia.

Social issues:

- Supports environmental protection and public parks.
- Supports non-partisan redistricting.



Education:

- Supports reforms to improve and reduce SOL (Standards of Learning) tests.

Healthcare:

- Supports reforming Medicaid and Welfare without expanding them.

Jobs and Economy:

- Has supported small businesses by lobbying legislators to pass bills protecting them.

Social Issues:

- Sponsored the creation of the Governor's Agriculture and Forestry Industries Development Fund.
- Supports non-partisan redistricting.

57th Dis. House of Delegate Candidate David Toscano (D)



Education:

- Advocates for preschool education to low income families and reformation of K-12 education by allocating more resources into creating better public schools.

Healthcare:

- Supports expansion of Medicaid.

Jobs and Economy:

- Supports places of workforce education and bettering working wages.

Social issues:

- Supports criminal justice reform, non-partisan redistricting, and renewable-based energy.

59th Dis. House of Delegates Candidates

Tracy Carver (D) and Matt Fariss (R)



Education:

- Supports increased funding for education and equity across all school districts.

Healthcare:

- Supports expansion of Medicaid and women's reproductive freedom.

Jobs and Economy:

- Advocates local agriculture growth and hemp farming.

Social Issues:

- Opposes Atlantic Coast, Mountain Valley, and Marcus Shale pipelines.
- Supports legalization of marijuana.



Education:

- Opposes excessive government influence in education spending.

Healthcare:

- Anti-abortion.

Jobs and Economy:

- Opposes tax increases.

Social Issues:

- Requested an extension of the scoping period from Federal Energy Regulation Commission, and an increase in meetings with counties affected by the Atlantic Coast Pipeline.

59th Dis. House of Delegates Candidates

Marcus Sutphin (G) and David Ball (I)



Education:

- Supports increased funding for higher education and better teacher pay.

Healthcare:

- Supports a single payer healthcare system.

Jobs and Economy:

- Supports hemp farming and increasing the minimum wage.

Social issues:

- Supports Anti-Corruption Act, gun rights, and marijuana legalization.
- Opposes Atlantic Coast and Mountain Valley pipelines.

Education:

- Candidate has not given stance on education.

Healthcare:

- Supports access to affordable healthcare for everyone.
- Anti-abortion.

Jobs and Economy:

- Supports strategic tax credits aimed at creating jobs.

Social Issues:

- Supports providing more policing in the evenings in rural areas.
- Opposes the Atlantic Coast Pipeline.

58th Dis. House of Delegates Candidates Kellen Squire (D) and Robert Bell III (R)



Education:

- Supports public school STEAM programs and affordability of colleges and universities.

Healthcare:

- Supports Medicaid expansion.

Jobs and Economy:

- Opposes tax loopholes that benefit the wealthiest 1 percent and large corporations.

Social Issues:

- Supports no-excuse absentee voting and expanding gun regulations.

Education:

- Supports public charter schools and bullying prevention programs.

Healthcare:

- Supports expanded care for people with mental illness.

Jobs and Economy:

- Supports small businesses and right-to-work laws.

Social Issues:

- Supports concealed and open carry laws, but not “one gun a month” law.

Other Races

Member Board of Supervisors Albemarle (Samuel Miller District)

- Liz A. Palmer (D)
- John C. Lowry (R)

Member of School Board Albemarle County (Rio District)

- Mary G. McIntyre (I)
- Katrina E. Callsen (I)

Member of School Board Albemarle County (Samuel Miller District)

- Graham T. Paige (I)
- Julian D. Waters (I)

Commonwealth's Attorney Charlottesville

- Joseph D. Platania (D)

Sheriff Charlottesville City

- James E. Brown III (D)

Commissioner of Revenue Charlottesville

- Todd D. Divers (D)

Treasurer Charlottesville

- James A. Vandever (D)

Member City Council Charlottesville

- Heather D. Hill (D)
- Amy J. Laufer (D)
- Paul Edward Long (I)
- Nikuyah R. Walker (I)
- Kenneth Wayne Jackson (I)
- John Edward Hall (I)

Member School Board Charlottesville

- Lisa D. Larson-Torres (I)
- Juandiego R. Wade (I)
- Leah W. Puryear (I)

Member Board of Supervisors Fluvanna (Rivanna District)

- Darrell R. Byers (R)
- Tony P. O'Brien (I)

Member of School Board Fluvanna County (Rivanna District)

- Shirley S. Stewart (I)
- Tyler M. Pieron (I)

Member Board of Supervisors Greene (Midway District)

- Marie C. Durrer (I)
- Jim F. Frydl (I)

Member Board of Supervisors Greene (Stanardsville)

- J. Frank Morris (R)
- Bill B. Martin (I)

Commonwealth's Attorney Greene County

- Matthew D. Hardin (R)
- Andrew L. Wilder (I)

Member Town Council - Special Greene County (Stanardsville)

- Robert M. Bongers II (I)
- Jennifer A. Ziros (I)

Member Board of Supervisors Louisa (Mineral District)

- Duane A. Adams (R)
- Stephanie L. Koren (I)

Member Board of Supervisors Nelson (East District)

- Allen M. Hale (D)
- Jesse Rutherford (R)

Member Board of Supervisors Nelson (Central District)

- Ernie Q. Reed, Jr. (D)
- Shelby R. Bruguere (I)

Member Board of Supervisors Nelson (North District)

- Justin M. Shimp (D)
- Ray H. Miles (R)
- T. D. "Tommy" Harvey (I)

What's on My Ballot?

Where do I Vote?



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