

# VOTE SMART

## FACTS MATTER

### Political Courage Test: 2022 Indiana Edition

Candidates are strongly encouraged to complete the Political Courage Test online at:  
**[secure.votesmart.org](https://secure.votesmart.org)**

Please indicate your thoughts on the following fifteen issues. Vote Smart has identified these fifteen issues as top on voters' minds. Your responses will be posted on [our website](#) where millions of voters will be able to access them and you can link to your posted responses for your own campaign materials.

If you would like to provide a more detailed response, please do so in the "Other or expanded principles" section (all responses must be under 100 words). **Should you choose not to respond, Vote Smart may research your public record to determine your likely positions on these issues.**

The Political Courage Test must be signed and returned to our office by 11:59 pm CT the day of the deadline. We can be reached at 515-989-6359 or by email at **[politicalcourage@votesmart.org](mailto:politicalcourage@votesmart.org)**.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, am willing to tell citizens where I stand on the issues I may face if elected. I have demonstrated my Political Courage by indicating my position on the following issues.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Abortion and Reproductive Issues:

a) Do you generally support pro-choice or pro-life legislation? Pro-choice \_\_\_\_ Pro-life \_\_\_\_

b) Do you support legalizing abortion when the pregnancy resulted from incest or rapes? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

c) Do you support the prohibition of public funds for organizations that perform abortions? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

d) Other or expanded principles

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### Budget, Spending, & Tax Issues:

- a) In order to balance the budget, do you support reducing state employee salaries AND/OR pensions? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- b) Do you support raising taxes on any income or on any entity, to promote economic growth? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- c) Other or expanded principles

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### Crime & Public Safety Issues:

- a) Do you support capital punishment for certain crimes? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- b) Should an individual under 18 accused of a violent crime be prosecuted as an adult? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- c) Do you support the enforcement of federal immigration laws by state and local police? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- d) Do you support the use of private prisons? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- e) Do you support mandatory minimum sentences for non-violent drug offenders? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- f) Other or expanded principles

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### Economic Issues

- a) Do you support state government spending as a means of promoting economic growth? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- b) Do you support reducing state government regulations on the private sector? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- c) Do you support an increase of the minimum wage of Indiana? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- d) Do you support providing financial relief to businesses AND/OR corporations negatively impacted by the state of national emergency for COVID-19? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- e) Other or expanded principles

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### Education Issues:

- a) Do you support adopting federal education standards in Indiana? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- b) Do you support state funding for charter schools? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- c) Do you support increasing teacher salaries AND/OR benefits in Indiana? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- d) Should immigrants unlawfully present in the United States who graduate from Indiana's high schools be eligible for in-state tuition at public universities? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- e) Other or expanded principles

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### Environment & Energy Issues:

- a) Do you support state funding for the development of renewable energy (e.g. solar, wind, geo-thermal)? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- b) Do you support state government regulation of greenhouse gas emissions? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- c) Do you support increasing state funding for clean drinking water initiatives? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- d) Other or expanded principles

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### Government Reform Issues:

- a) Do you support the regulation of campaign contributions from corporations, unions, and individuals? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- b) Do you support the use of an independent AND/OR bipartisan commission for redistricting? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- c) Do you support requiring a government-issued photo identification in order to vote at the polls? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- d) Do you support automatic voter registration? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- e) Other or expanded principles

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### Gun Issues:

- a) Do you generally support gun-control legislation? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- b) Should background checks be required on gun sales between private citizens at gun shows? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- c) Should a license be required for gun ownership? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- d) Other or expanded principles

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### Health Issues:

- a) Should the state government increase funding for treatment facilities to combat opioid abuse? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- b) Do you support a government-run (single-payer) healthcare program such as Medicare-for-All? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- c) Should an individual have the right to choose to die through euthanasia? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- d) Do you support eliminating religious exemptions for vaccinations? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- e) Do you support expanding paid family AND/OR medical leave opportunities? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- f) Do you support lowering the cost of prescription drugs? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- g) Do you support the legalization of medical marijuana in Indiana? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

h) Other or expanded principles

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### Social Issues:

- a) Do you support inclusion of sexual orientation in Indiana's anti-discrimination laws? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- b) Do you support the inclusion of gender identity in Indiana's anti-discrimination laws? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- c) Do you support greater efforts by Indiana's state government in closing gender, racial and other wage gaps? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
- d) Other or expanded principles

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**Legislative Priorities:** In the following area, please explain in a total of 100 words or less, any additional priorities of your campaign that have not been covered in these questions.

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**Legislative Priorities:** In the following area, please explain in a total of 100 words or less, your top legislative priority and how you plan to fund it.

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