

2024 Party Platform Comparison

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Mentions God twice:

- "...with Love for our Country, Faith in our People, and Trust in God's Good Grace..."
- Promises to "promote a Foreign Policy centered on the most essential American Interests, starting with protecting the American Homeland, our People, our Borders, our Great American Flag, and our Rights under God."

MENTIONS OF GOD

Mentions God once:

- Promises to "remain committed to fighting poverty and enabling all Americans to live up to their God-given potential."

- Says it "proudly stand[s] for families and Life."
- Believes "the 14th Amendment to the Constitution [...] guarantees that no person can be denied Life or Liberty without Due Process," "the States are [...] free to pass Laws protecting those Rights," but does not mention the unborn as previous platforms have done.
- Believes "the power has been given to the States and to a vote of the People" on this issue.
- Promises to "oppose Late Term Abortion, while supporting mothers and policies that advance Prenatal Care, access to Birth Control, and IVF (fertility treatments)."

LIFE

- Says it is "committed to restoring the reproductive rights Trump ripped away." Promises to "pass national legislation to make *Roe* the law of the land again," which would allow abortion through birth.
- Promises to "strengthen access to contraception so every woman who needs it is able to get and afford it," "protect a woman's right to access IVF," "repeal the Hyde Amendment," "continue to support access to FDA-approved medication abortion, appoint leaders at the FDA who respect science, and appoint judges who uphold fundamental freedoms."

Discussion of multiple policy issues implicitly affirms the biological basis for sex:

- Pledges to "keep men out of women's sports, ban Taxpayer funding for sex change surgeries, and stop Taxpayer-funded Schools from promoting gender transition, reverse Biden's radical rewrite of Title IX Education Regulations, and restore protections for women and girls."

CREATED MALE AND FEMALE

Two pages dedicated to supporting LGBT ideology:

- Promises to "prohibit employment discrimination in the federal government, including contractors, and make federally-funded seniors programs LGBTQI+ inclusive" and "continue to make great strides in protecting LGBTQI+ children and prospective parents in the adoption and foster care systems."
- Promises to "vigorously oppose state and federal bans on gender-affirming health care."
- Promises to "fight for LGBTQI+ youth" and ensure that "transgender students are treated fairly and with respect at school."

Does not include a definition of marriage, but affirms the role of the family:

- Promises to "promote a Culture that values the Sanctity of Marriage, the blessings of childhood, the foundational role of families, and supports working parents" and to "end policies that punish families."

DEFINITION OF MARRIAGE AND ROLE OF THE FAMILY

- Celebrates the signing of the "Respect for Marriage Act, enshrining marriage equality in federal law."
- Promises to "pass the Equality Act to codify protections for LGBTQI+ Americans and their families."

- Promises to "ensure children are taught fundamentals like Reading, History, Science, and Math, not Leftwing propaganda" and "defund schools that engage in inappropriate political indoctrination of our children using Federal Taxpayer Dollars."
- Promises to "reinstate the 1776 Commission, promote Fair and Patriotic Civics Education, and veto efforts to nationalize Civics Education" and "support schools that teach America's Founding Principles and Western Civilization."
- Promises "to close the Department of Education in Washington, D.C." and "let the States run our educational system as it should be run."
- Supports "the restoration of Classic Liberal Arts Education."

RESTORING EDUCATION

- Boasts of efforts to "increase[] investments in full-service community schools five-fold, providing health care, nutrition, job training, and other wraparound services for kids at school, investing in their futures and making families' lives easier."
- Promises to "provide free, universal preschool for four-year olds."

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- Promises “a plan to cultivate great K-12 schools, ensure safe learning environments free from political meddling, and restore Parental Rights.”
- Promises to “support schools that focus on Excellence and Parental Rights.”

PARENTAL RIGHTS IN EDUCATION

- Promises “to fight for LGBTQI+ youth” and guarantee that “transgender students are treated fairly and with respect at school.”
- Says it “respect[s] the role of parents, families, and doctors—not politicians—in making health care decisions.”

- Believes “families should be empowered to choose the best Education for their children” and supports “Universal School Choice in every State in America.”

SCHOOL CHOICE

- Believes “every student deserves a quality education, regardless of their parents’ zip code or income.”
- “[O]pposes the use of private-school vouchers, tuition tax credits, opportunity scholarships, and other schemes that divert taxpayer-funded resources away from public education.”

- Promises to “expand 529 Education Savings Accounts and support Homeschooling Families equally.”

HOME SCHOOLING

- Does not specifically mention homeschooling.

- Calls the Republican Party “the defenders of the First Amendment Right to Religious Liberty,” which “protects the Right not only to Worship according to the dictates of Conscience, but also to act in accordance with those Beliefs, not just in places of Worship, but in everyday life.”
- Says its party members “include men and women from every Faith and Tradition,” and that the party “respect[s] the Right of every American to follow his or her deeply held Beliefs.”
- Supports “a new Federal Task Force on Fighting Anti-Christian Bias that will investigate all forms of illegal discrimination, harassment, and persecution against Christians in America.”
- Promises to “champion the First Amendment Right to Pray and Read the Bible in school, and stand up to those who violate the Religious Freedoms of American students.”

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

- Promises to “protect the First Amendment right to free exercise of religion for everyone” and “maintain the separation of church and state.”
- Promises to “combat hate crimes and white nationalist terrorism,” “prioritize the investigation of hate crimes against trans and non-binary people,” and “continue to increase security at houses of worship.”
- Condemns “the decades-long campaign to demonize the Muslim community” and promises to “advocate for religious freedom across the world.”

- Promises to “stand with Israel, and seek peace in the Middle East.”
- “[C]ondemn[s] antisemitism, and support[s] revoking Visas of Foreign Nationals who support terrorism and jihadism.” Promises to “hold accountable those who perpetrate violence against Jewish people.”

ISRAEL AND ANTISEMITISM

- Supports building “a durable peace in the Middle East bolstered by regional integration, a strong coalition to counter and deter Iran and prevent it and its terrorist proxies from threatening the security of the region, and a negotiated two-state solution.”
- Says “[t]he United States strongly supports Israel in the fight against Hamas” and credits the Biden administration with having “made real progress on a way forward that will free the hostages, establish a durable ceasefire, ease humanitarian suffering in Gaza, and make possible normalization between Israel and key Arab states, together with meaningful progress and a political horizon for the Palestinian people.”