

Illinois Family Institute
School Board Candidate Questions

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1) Should biological males who identify as female be able to use the girls bathroom and locker rooms?

Answer: No

2) Should school staff use the preferred pronoun and first name of a child who identifies as the opposite gender they were born with?

Answer: I believe that some teachers would be happy and willing to do so and I believe they should not be prohibited from it. However, if that violates the conscience of a teacher, they should be given the option to address the student in the same manner that the student was registered by their parent.

3) Should biological boys compete against biological girls in school sports?

Answer: No

4) Should students and employees be forced to mask and get vaxxed to attend government schools?

Answer: No

5) Should children be taught there are more than two genders?

Answer: No

6) Should families be able to access a portion of state education funding to use for educational expenses, including private school tuition, tutoring, curriculum, and supplies?

Answer: Yes

7) Do you support or oppose Governor Pritzker's plan to increase Illinois taxpayer-supported education funding by 6.2% in 2024?

Answer: Oppose. This is an ongoing plan that doesn't have ongoing revenues to support it beyond the first year. We must become a fiscally responsible state.

8) To increase equity, should school district eliminate honors classes?

Answer: No

9) Should school nurses or other school staff be prohibited from helping students obtain an abortion during or after school hours?

Answer: Yes, school nurses should be prohibited from engaging in life-altering and life-ending practices at all levels. The health and well-being of minors belongs to parents.

10) Should school administrators be required to notify the parents of students who have expressed concerns about their gender identity?

Answer: I believe this question requires a great deal of nuance. A child expressing concern does not necessarily warrant the notification of a parent. Children need safe adults in their lives and being able to discuss these topics with a trusted adult or counselor is important. However, again I believe parents should have the final authority on their children's health and well-being. A child moving beyond expressing concern, to desiring medical intervention is an immediate reason to notify parents or guardians.