all politics is local

IEA/IFT endorsed DuPage state-level candidates.
union:

“The action or fact of joining or being joined, especially in a political context.”
Teachers are embracing this definition...

Striking Arizona teachers end walkout, salary increases set

By The Associated Press
May 3, 2018 10:40 pm

A pair of teachers talk inside the senate lobby during the early morning hours as Arizona state legislators continue to debate the Joint's budget Thursday, May 3, 2018, in the Capitol in Phoenix. The teachers, in the sixth day of a classroom walkout, have agreed to return to...

Oklahoma teachers went on strike. Nearly 100 of them are now running for office to unseat Republican lawmakers.

By Alexia Fernández Campbell | @AlexiaCampbell | alexia@ vox.com | Jun 26, 2018, 9:30am EDT

Thousands of Oklahoma teachers went on strike in April. | Phot Cortez/Getty Images

They are going after the state lawmakers who didn’t want to give teachers a raise.
because their profession is under attack.
Because what happens at the state level...
affects you.

SB1, Tier 2, Tier 3, Pension Reform, 3% Salary Cap, right to work...

These ideas are made law at the state level.
We all know the Tier 1 races...
All are IEA & IFT endorsed:

- JB FOR GOVERNOR
  - JBPRITZKER.COM
- SEAN CASTEN
  - DEMOCRAT FOR CONGRESS 6th DISTRICT
- Kwame!
  - FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL
- SUSANA MENDOZA
  - COMPTROLLER
But can you name your state-level representatives?
State Level

These officeholders directly impact teachers, schools, and our students.

Collective Bargaining
Pensions
Licensing & Evaluation
School Funding
Special Education
State Budget
Illinois House & Senate Districts

There are 118 State Representative districts and 59 State Senate districts in Illinois.

This presentation will focus on IEA/IFT endorsed candidates in six House districts and one Senate district in DuPage County.

Illinois House

Key districts in DuPage County with IEA/AFT endorsed challengers

*denotes incumbent

Illinois House 45
Illinois House 46*
Illinois House 47
Illinois House 48
Illinois House 49
Illinois House 81
IL HD 46*

Addison, Bloomingdale, Carol Stream, Elmhurst, Glendale Heights, Oakbrook Terrace, and Villa Park.

+25% D 2018 Primary Turnout

The overwhelming majority of HD 46 precincts voted for Clinton in 2016.

*incumbent endorsed
IL HD 46

Incumbent Deborah Conroy

Conroy Key Votes & Ratings:
- Y SJRCA 4 – Ratify Equal Rights Amendment
- Y SB 6 2017 - Budget Rauner Veto Override
- Y SB 2892 - Teacher Minimum Pay
- Y SB 2332 - Tobacco 21
- Y SB 2546 - Authorize grad students to unionize
- Y HB 1465 - Raise age limits to 21 for “assault style” weapons

Citizens Action Illinois (Civil Rights): 93% lifetime rating
Illinois PTO (Education): 100% rating
AFL-CIO (Unions): 90% lifetime rating
NRA: 7% rating

IEA/IFT ENDORSED
Challenger: Gordon Kinzler

Kinzler:
Urologist/Surgeon, Col. in U.S. Army Reserves

Platform:
- Anti-tax (even lower income tax rate)
- Anti-ACA
- Cut regulation on businesses
- Secure borders (in Illinois?)
- Pro gun
- “Judeo-Christian values are an integral part of America's founding, and emphasizing them in the future will ensure America finds its way once again.”
IL HD 48

All or parts of:

Glen Ellyn, Lisle, Lombard, and Wheaton.

+21% D 2018 Primary Turnout

The overwhelming majority of HD 48 precincts voted for Clinton in 2016.
Breen Key Votes & Ratings:
N SJRCA 4 – Ratify Equal Rights Amendment
N SB 6 2017 - Budget Rauner Veto Override
N SB 2892 Teacher Minimum Pay
N SB 2332 Tobacco 21
N SB 2546 Authorize grad students to unionize
N HB 1465 Raise age limits to 21 for “assault style” weapons

Citizens Action Illinois (Civil Rights): 21% lifetime rating
Illinois PTO (education): 50% rating
AFL-CIO (unions): 11% lifetime rating
NRA: 93% rating

NOT RECOMMENDED
Breen:

On Rauner:
“Rauner is our party’s nominee and I support him 100%”

On SB1:
Described it as a “constitutional compromise” and “good first step” in pension reform.

On a bill for equal pay for women:
“This is the stupidest bill we considered at least this week.”

Introduced a bill that would have classified most forms of prescription birth control as a “murder weapon”.

Chief Counsel for the Thomas More Society.

Point 1: Daily Herald 3-22-18, Point 2: Daily Herald Feb. 2014, Point 3: HB 2462 4-26-17, Point 4: HB 4114 & HB 5776
Terra Costa Howard:
DuPage County Asst. Public Defender, small business owner
Former school board member/president Glen Ellyn D41.
Endorsed by Illinois National Organization for Women, Equality Illinois, IEA, AFT.

Platform:
- Strong public schools as the cornerstone of strong community.
- Advocating for women
- Equal pay
- Bringing sanity to gun laws
- Fighting for tax fairness
- Believed SB1 was unconstitutional; Teacher "should not be punished".

http://tchfor48.com/
IL HD 45

All or parts of:


+10% R 2018 Primary Turnout

Evenly split between Clinton and Trump.
Incumbent Christine Winger

Winger Key Votes & Ratings:
Y  SJRCA 4 – Ratify Equal Rights Amendment
NV  SB 6  2017 – Budget Rauner Veto Override
NV  SB 2892 – Teacher Minimum Pay
NV  SB 2332 – Tobacco 21
N  SB 2546 – Authorize grad students to unionize
N  HB 1465 – Raise age limits to 21 for “assault style” weapons

Citizens Action Illinois (Civil Rights):  29% lifetime rating
Illinois PTO (education):   50% rating
AFL-CIO (unions):  14% lifetime rating
NRA: 93% rating

NOT RECOMMENDED
Challenger: Cynthia Borbas

Cynthia Borbas: Owner of an IT Consulting Firm; in the IT Industry since 1999. Chair of the Wayne Township Democratic Party

“There are many cuts that can be made and would receive bipartisan support including: eliminating pay for state boards and commissions, consolidating services provided by state agencies, eliminating the lieutenant governor’s office, keeping legislative pay frozen, eliminating pensions for future legislators, and closing corporate tax loopholes. To lead by example, if elected, I will refuse a taxpayer-funded legislative pension.”

“The pension crisis facing Illinois is very complex and has been exacerbated by years of underfunding by both parties... Any changes must be fair to taxpayers and public workers and must be negotiated with all stakeholders at the table.”

“I am opposed to increasing taxes on hardworking, middle-class families. We must protect the critical programs that working and middle-class families rely on. I believe we can achieve this by making common sense cuts, placing a higher tax rate on millionaires, and closing corporate tax loopholes.”
IL HD 81

All or part of:

Downers Grove, Darien, Woodridge, Naperville, Bolingbrook

+19% D 2018 Primary Turnout

The overwhelming majority of HD 81 precincts voted for Clinton in 2016.
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- **Citizens Action Illinois (Civil Rights):** No rating
- **Illinois PTO (education):** 50% Rating
- **AFL-CIO (unions):** 19% lifetime rating
- **NRA:** No rating

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**NOT RECOMMENDED**
IL HD 81

Challenger: Anne Stava-Murray

Anne Stava-Murray

IEA/IFT ENDORSED

https://www.teamstavamurray.com/

SUPPORT

- Class sizes that enable 1-on-1 interactions
- Up-to-date materials and resources
- Student access to clean water & nutrition
- Collective bargaining & organized labor
- Diversity, equity & inclusion initiatives
- Decreasing reliance of funding on property taxes
- Fully funding higher education

OPPOSE

- Ballooning higher education costs and debt for students
- Benefit structures that unfairly disadvantage new teachers
- Making workers/retirees suffer due to pension fund mismanagement
- Voucher programs
IL HD 47 (DuPage Portion)

All or part of:
Elmhurst, Oak Brook,
Westmont, and Hinsdale.

+22% D 2018 Primary
Turnout

The majority of HD 47
precincts voted for
Clinton in 2016.

Essentially an open seat.
Formerly Patti Bellock’s
district, held for nine
terms.
Appointee: Deanne Mazzochi

Mazzochi Key Votes & Ratings:
Appointed in August 2018 - so no voting record as yet.
COD Board Chairman
Rauner “reform” agenda - small government and major “reform”

“As a lawyer and a scientist, my politics align with the Republican party because over the long haul, the practical evidence confirms that governments that adhere to principles of incentivizing self-reliance; fiscal responsibility; and local charity deliver the best—and most just—results.” (no source provided for this claim)
One picture sums it Mazzochi:

Just to the left of Ives and to the right of Breen, Nybo and Olsen.
Jim Caffrey:
Boston University, Masters of Business Administration (MBA)
Elmhurst resident
Peace Corps volunteer, community organizer

Platform:
- Prioritizing the payment of overdue bills
- "Reduce our unfunded liability: I believe that we should re-amortize our pension debt over the next 50 years with a funding target of 80-90%. We would pay a level amount year-over-year and rid ourselves of the "Edgar Ramp" which will absorb over a third of our budget by 2045. Over time, the pension payments would shrink as a portion of the overall budget providing more flexibility to the state. To ensure this plan succeeds, annual pension funding needs to be paid in full each year – no more pension holidays."
- Opposes "right to work"
- Pro-choice, pro-legalizing cannabis, pro-raising minimum wage.

https://jimcaffrey.org/
IL HD 49
(DuPage Portion)

Open Seat

+7% R 2018 Primary
Turnout

A slim majority of HD 49 precincts voted for Clinton in 2016, but
district is very mixed.
Tonia Khouri:
Small business owner
DuPage County Board, Chair of Economic Development

Platform: Rauner-style anti-tax arch conservative.

Quotes:
- “As a DuPage County Board Member, I have never voted for a tax increase.”
- “We can accomplish property tax relief by real, constitutional pension reform…”
- “That’s how you balance a budget – by cutting spending and reforming how government operates.”
- “The government’s role in economic growth is to create a business friendly environment that includes tax certainty, low regulations, and workers’ comp reform.”
IL HD 49

Karina Villa:
West Chicago native.
School social worker in West Chicago and Villa Park
Vice President, West Chicago District 33 Board of Education

Quotes:

- "I will fight for adequate and equitable school funding. I am committed to ensuring all our schools are the highest possible quality. I will fight to expand access to pre-K education and work to make Illinois colleges and vocational training obtainable for all."
- "Governor Bruce Rauner's failure to enact a state budget for over two years caused the deficit to dramatically increase by billions of dollars while core human services were slashed and jobs critical to the health and safety of Illinois residents were lost."
- "To fix the state's financial woes, lower property taxes, and adequately fund services and schools, Illinois needs a tax structure that is fair to the middle class. Illinois needs a progressive income tax."
- "She has been a proud union member of the Illinois Education Association. Karina strongly supports organized labor and will work to protect the interests of hard-working, middle class families."

https://karinavilla.com
Illinois Senate

Key districts in DuPage County with IEA/AFT endorsed challenger

Illinois Senate 41
IL SD 41

All or parts of:

Downers Grove, Woodridge, Darien, Lemont, Homer Glen, and Naperville.

+16% D 2018 Primary Turnout

Split roughly along I-55:
The northern half more for Clinton and the southern half more for Trump.
IL SD 41

Appointed 2017: John Curran

Curran Key Votes & Ratings:

NV  SJRCA 4 – Ratify Equal Rights Amendment
NV  SB 6 2017 – Budget Rauner Veto Override
N   SB 2892 – Teacher Minimum Pay
N   SB 2332 – Tobacco 21
N   SB 2546 – Authorize grad students to unionize
Y   HB 1465 – Raise age limits to 21 for “assault style” weapons

Formerly long-term Christine Radogno district.
As Senate Republican Leader, resigned after budget veto override.
Curran was appointed in 2017 and as such has no ratings.
Challenger: Bridget Fitzgerald

Bridget Fitzgerald:
Currently Village Clerk for Western Springs & Community Affairs Specialist for the Illinois State Treasurer’s Office.

Platform:
Strong public safety through common-sense gun laws.
Affordable and accessible healthcare, especially for women’s health and mental health treatment.
Strengthening our communities through tax reform and raising the minimum wage.
Innovation in infrastructure to deliver quality water, flooding solutions and alternatives to tollway expansions.

https://www.votebridgetfitzgerald.com/
Key Takeaway:

We’re stronger when 133,000 are united as one. When teachers vote together, we can change what happens for our profession, our schools, and our students.

Vote!
candidates?

Go to https://ieanea.org and click “Legislative” in the menu to get a customized list recommended of candidates you can vote for in the 2018 General Election.
Click "Your Voter Guide":

- **Your Voter Guide**
  - Local, state and national legislation has an effect in every school district in our state and nation. It is imperative that we elect the right people to public office. Access Your Voter Guide.

- **2018 Election - Recommendation Meetings Schedule**
  - Recommendation meetings are ongoing, this list will be updated periodically.

- **2018 Election - IPACE Recommended Candidates (State)**
  - Recommendation meetings are ongoing, this list will be updated periodically.

- **2018 Election - IPACE Recommended Candidates (State & Federal)**
  - Recommendation meetings are ongoing, this list will be updated periodically.

- **Legislative Updates**
  - Updates that provide background and information on issues moving through the Illinois General Assembly and Congress that impact you and the tools you need to educate your local members and lobby your legislators.

- **Capitol Bill Watch**
  - Find links to detailed information about the status of current education-related bills in the Legislature.

- **Contact Your Legislators**
  - Email your State and U.S. Senators and Representatives using CapWiz, our friendly contact and email system.
Click "GO NOW":

In this election there are BIG differences in the candidates and their views on education. IEA members conducted interviews around the state and recommended pro-education candidates. Local, state and national legislation has an effect in every school district in our state and nation. It is imperative that we elect the right people to public office.

Legislative & Political Action
- Capitol Watch
- Contact Your Legislators
- Fact Sheets
- Grassroots Political Activists Program
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- Your Voter Guide
- Legislative & Political Action

Latest News

* School board oath bill signed into law; school board members now... Aug 31, 2018
* Statement from DUEA President Sara Moehler on new contract Aug 21, 2018
* Winnebago Education Association authorizes strike, sets strike date Aug 21, 2018
* IEA: Governor Rauner fails to address teacher shortage, fails to act... Aug 14, 2018
Enter your address:
vote!

A general election will be held in the U.S. state of Illinois on Tuesday, November 6, 2018.

Tell your friends, family, and neighbors. We're stronger when 133,000 vote together.

Connect on Facebook: DuPage Area Teachers