



SCHOOL OF
PUBLIC HEALTH

YOUR GUIDE TO THE **2024** PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION



*A nonpartisan guide to help understand how
2024 presidential policies affect families.*

An election guide from the University of Maryland Council on
Family Relations and Maryland Family Policy Impact Seminar.

• PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION EDITION



PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

TABLE OF CONTENTS

Child Care.....	Page 3
K-12 Education	Page 5
Gun Control & Gun Violence.....	Page 7
Health Care.....	Page 9
Higher Education.....	Page 11
Immigration.....	Page 13
LGBTQ+ Rights/Health.....	Page 16
Mental Health.....	Page 18
Reproductive Health Access.....	Page 20
Maternal Mortality & Inequities.....	Page 22
References.....	Page 24

(01)

CHILD CARE

Prepared by Dara Gleeson, MPH, CHES, and Chidinma Nwankwo



- More than two-thirds of children in the U.S. have all available parents in the workforce, making child care access a topic of interest for families.[1]
- Child care access and affordability creates challenges for many families. [1]
- Election topics focus on cost of care, subsidization and tax credits.

CHILD CARE

KAMALA HARRIS



Expand Child Tax Credit

According to the Harris campaign website:

“Vice President Harris and Governor Walz are fighting for a future with affordable, high-quality child care and pre-K, long-term care, and paid leave, while supporting care workers and family caregivers.” [2]

- The Harris administration plans to restore the expanded Child Tax Credit and expand it further to provide up to a \$6,000 tax cut to families with newborn children [2]
- This is meant to support families during the first year of their child’s life so that they are able to purchase essential items (ex. diapers, clothes, etc.) [2]



Cap Child Care Costs

As reported in a CNN article: At a National Association of Black Journalists event on September 17, 2024, Harris noted that she would cap child care costs at 7% of working families’ income [3]

- The administration will look to lower the costs of high-quality child care and preschool for working families [2]
- Harris did not provide details on how this social reform would be enacted or paid for [3]



Protect Child Care Programs

As explained in her speech to accept the Democratic nomination on August 22, 2024, the Harris administration would not let conservatives, like Donald Trump end “*programs like Head Start that provide preschool and child care for our children. America, we are not going back.*” [4]

DONALD J. TRUMP



Child Care Costs

During his talk with the Economic Club of New York, Trump shared:

“...as much as childcare is talked about as being expensive, it’s, relatively speaking, not very expensive compared to the kind of numbers we’ll be taking in.”[5]

- The administration suggests that childcare costs are not a large problem within the country, and suggests resolving with funds raised through raised tariffs. [6]



Support for Caregiving

As reported by The New York Times, when asked whether he would support legislation to make child care more affordable, and how he would seek to do so, Trump responded “Well, I would do that”. [7]

Additionally, Trump asserted that “you have to have it” when responding to a question, suggesting support for making childcare more affordable. [8]

As reported in a CNN article: When speaking to conservative activists in Arizona, Vance stated that “parents should look to grandparents, aunts and uncles for those who have them,” and also suggested cutting down on training and certification requirements for day care workers.”[6]

- The Trump administration identified additional individuals who can assist families in child-rearing in response to questions on how to bring down the cost of childcare.[6]



(02)

K-12 EDUCATION

Prepared by Sasha Tolliver, MS, and Naomi Whitaker, MPH

- Education is recognized as a key factor in shaping the health and well-being of individuals as it influences opportunities for social mobility. [1]
- The public education system in the United States is responsible for over 80% of all students attending schools. [2]
- Schools play a much larger role than simply the academic development of children; they also contribute to the development of their identities, relationships mental health, and overall well-being. [3]
- Education policy shapes much more than the educational attainment of K-12 students.

K-12 EDUCATION



KAMALA HARRIS



DONALD J. TRUMP

Opposes eliminating the Department of Education. Believes DOE is essential to maintaining public schools. [4]

Eliminate the Department of Education to move control of education to the states [4]

Establish a minimum salary for teachers to establish a sense of financial security. [6]

Abolish "teacher tenure" for grades K-12 and adopt "merit pay," [4]

Against policies that infringe on the "freedom to learn." Has explicitly called out book bans as an example of this infringement [4]

Believes students should be taught reading, writing, and math in the classroom and not gender, sex and race [4,5]

Opposes school choice as it is believed to be a way of divesting from public education systems [5,6]

Promotes School Choice with a focus on parental rights, universal school choice and a fight for "patriotic education" in schools. [7,8]

Promotes a holistic approach to addressing school violence and mental health by embedding socio-emotional supports, social services, and mental health resources in schools. [6]

Advocates for increased funding for school resource officers and safety infrastructure for schools to address school violence [4]



(03)

GUN CONTROL & GUN VIOLENCE

Prepared by Cheyenne Schad, MPH + Naomi Whitaker, MPH

- According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), injuries from firearms is in the top five leading causes of death for Americans aged 1 - 44 years. [1]
- CDC also reports firearms as the leading cause of death for children and adolescents aged 1 - 19 years. [2]
- The 2nd Amendment of U.S. Constitution protects American's right to bear arms.

GUN CONTROL & GUN VIOLENCE

KAMALA HARRIS



Stricter Gun Laws

- Supports implementing universal background checks to purchase a gun [3]
- Advocates for red-flag laws to temporarily remove guns from those deemed a threat to others or themselves. [3]
- proposes a ban on assault-style weapons. [3]

Supports the Safer Communities Act

- Expands community violence intervention programs
- Expands access to mental health services in schools
- Establishes federal offenses for straw purchasing* and trafficking of guns [3]

*buying a firearm for someone who is prohibited by law from possessing one, or for someone who doesn't want their name associated with it.



Mental Health

Believes addressing mental health alongside access to guns as a key preventative measure to reducing the prevalence of gun violence. Supports policies to increase access to mental health services through telehealth services, in-school programming, and other avenues. [1,4,5]



Second Amendment

Has voiced support for the second amendment as a gun owner. Explicitly stated that it is not the goal of her administration to take away guns, but to implement “common sense” gun laws. [3]

“Tim Walz and I are both gun owners. ..We’re not taking anybody’s guns away” [3]

DONALD J. TRUMP

Less Restrictive Gun Laws



- Distanced himself from the idea of universal background checks [5]
- Sided with interests of the National Rifle Association promising not to impose laws that would infringe upon gun ownership. [5]

Opposes Zero-Tolerance Policy

- Revokes federal licenses from firearms dealers who violate gun laws [5]

Mental Health



Believes “mental illness” to be the primary contributor to gun violence, not access to guns. Also advocates for cuts to programs such as the ACA and public health entities that would impact access to mental health care that would help to address what has been deemed as the issue. [6]

Second Amendment



Donald Trump is a gun owner, has voiced support for the second amendment, and received endorsement from the NRA. There have also been instances where he has called for restrictions on guns in the past. [7,8,9]

“No one will lay a finger on your firearms.” - Trump to the NRA [10]

(04)

HEALTH CARE

Prepared by Amani Wynter, MPH



- The U.S. spends more on healthcare than any other high-income country. [1]
- Each candidate offers a distinct vision for the future of healthcare in America, with important implications for families dealing with rising medical costs, access to care, and long-term health security.

HEALTH CARE



KAMALA HARRIS



DONALD J. TRUMP

Supports expanding and strengthening the Affordable Care Act (ACA).²

Opposes the ACA, "Obamacare was lousy health care...if we come up with something, and we are working on things, we're going to do it and we're going to replace it."³

Supports expanding Medicare coverage by lowering the eligibility age to 60 and strengthening Medicaid by encouraging states that have not expanded the program to do so.²

Opposes Medicare expansion, advocates for giving states the power to design their own programs based on their populations' needs.⁴

Supports allowing Medicare to negotiate drug prices to lower prescription costs. "Thanks to our historic work to allow Medicare to negotiate lower drug prices, millions of Americans who rely on these drugs will save on their out-of-pocket costs."⁵

Advocates for lowering drug prices by increasing competition and reducing government regulations.⁶



(05)

HIGHER EDUCATION

Prepared by Khiara Makayla Lee, MPH & Naomi Whitaker, MPH



- Education is proven to be an important social determinant of health for families. [1]
- Understanding policies that shape higher education is crucial to ensure equitable and fair outcomes for students.

HIGHER EDUCATION

KAMALA HARRIS



Expand DEI

Has voiced the value of DEI programing and seeks to increase funding for programs to boost resources and visibility.

As part of this effort, she calls for increased investment in minority-serving institutions (i.e. HBCUs) who have been key actors in increased educational opportunities for underrepresented minority students. [2,3,4]

"...we understand that you can't truly invest in the strength of our nation if you don't pay attention to diversity, equity, and inclusion," [5]

Department of Education

Opposes the dismantling of the DOE



Affordable Education

Harris plans to continue the efforts of the Biden Administration with respect to eliminate student loan debt. Views debt accrued from higher education as an "unreasonable burden" and the relief of such debt as a key to social mobility.

During her time as VP Harris increased the Pell Grant by \$900 allowing more students to afford college. [3]

In addition, Harris has also proposed trade school and community college as free to all Americans . [2]

DONALD J. TRUMP



Eliminate DEI

Opposes policy in support of DEI. Views DEI policy as a "governmental overreach". Has plans to overturn Title XI protections for transgendered students enacted under the Biden Administration and programs with the goal of advancing equity. [6]

"Every institution in America is under attack from this Marxist concept of 'equity,'" [7]

Department of Education

Supports abolishing of the DOE as an effort to give power to states to oversee education policy.



Patriotic Education

Aims to implement policies to make college campuses more "sane" and "patriotic". To eliminate those efforts viewed as "indoctrinating" (i.e. Critical Race Theory) and against the values of patriotism. Views the restoration of "classical liberal arts education" as a solution. [6]



Affordable Education

Proposes that affordable education can be achieved through the creation of an "American Academy" which will serve as a free, online education institution for all Americans to access. The academy will be funded through the "taxing, fining, and suing excessively large private university endowments." Opposes the student loan debt cancellation plan put forward by Harris. [6,8]



(06)

IMMIGRATION

Prepared by Raya Francis, MS

- Nearly 14% of the U.S. population is foreign-born and around 26% of children have at least one foreign-born parent [1,2].
- The U.S. has an estimated 11 million undocumented immigrants, the majority of whom come from Latin American countries [3].
- Republicans support strict measures to curb illegal immigration, emphasizing the need to restore law and order at the southern border.
- Democrats support an approach that combines border security with comprehensive immigration reform.

IMMIGRATION

KAMALA HARRIS [4]

BORDER SECURITY

Plans to:

- Pass the Bipartisan Border Security Bill
- Deploy more detection technology to intercept drugs like fentanyl
- Add 1,500 border security agents to strengthen the southern border
- Continue securing funding for an increase in border agents.



“The United States Congress including some of the most conservative members of the United States Senate came up with a border security bill which I supported and that bill would have put 1,500 more border agents on the border to help those folks who are working there right now overtime trying to do their job, it would have allowed us to stem the flow of fentanyl coming into the United States. That bill would have put more resources to allow us to prosecute transnational criminal organizations for trafficking in guns, drugs, and human beings.”
– Kamala Harris [5]



IMMIGRATION REFORM

- Supports an earned pathway to citizenship for undocumented immigrants:

“There’s no way to know if the border bill is going to come back, right? If it were to come back, I hope that there’s going to be a conversation with the Congressional Hispanic Caucus on that bill,” Harris said, arguing that it could use revision.

“That’s really a border bill. It’s not, in my opinion, an immigration bill. I would like to see more. I would like to see pathways to citizenship added in there where there’s real negotiation.”
– Kamala Harris [6]



DONALD J. TRUMP [7]

BORDER SECURITY

Plans to:

- Complete the border wall.
- Increase law enforcement focus on immigration.
- Use technology to monitor and secure the border.
- Deploy military resources, including troops and the U.S. Navy.
- Implement a fentanyl blockade to prevent drug trafficking at the southern border.



ENFORCE IMMIGRATION LAW

- Strengthen Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).
- Increase penalties for illegal entry and visa overstays.
- Reinstate policies like “Remain in Mexico”, which mandate that non-Mexican asylum seekers be sent south of the border until their court dates.
- Use existing laws to remove suspected criminals, gang members, and cartel members.
- Reintroduce the travel ban.
- Use Title 42, which enables border officials to expel migrants without allowing them to apply for asylum, to address child trafficking by returning trafficked children to their home countries.



DEPORTATION PROGRAM

- Implement a large-scale deportation program.
- Remove individuals who have entered or remained in the U.S. illegally:

“People need to be deported”, “No one should be off the table.”
– Tom Homan, top Trump adviser, former acting head of ICE [8]

IMMIGRATION

KAMALA HARRIS^[4]



IMMIGRATION REFORM

- Focus on fixing the broken immigration system while ensuring strong border security.
- Pass and sign the bipartisan border bill to enhance overall immigration police.



"[The U.S.] has been enriched by generations of people who have come from every corner of the world to contribute to our country and to become part of the American story. And so we must reform our immigration system to ensure that it works in an orderly way, that it is humane and that makes our country stronger."

– Kamala Harris [6]

DONALD J. TRUMP^[7]



STRICT VETTING

- Use extreme vetting to prevent individuals with extremist views from entering the U.S.
- Ensure immigrants align with what he considers American values:
"They [illegal immigrants] destroyed our social fabric."
– Donald J. Trump [5]



STOP SANCTUARY CITIES

- Cut federal funding to sanctuary cities [7].
- Require local cooperation with federal immigration enforcement [7].



LEGAL IMMIGRATION REFORM^[7]

- Prioritize merit-based immigration.
- End chain migration, a process allowing citizens and lawful permanent residents to bring their relatives to the U.S.
- Focus on immigrants who contribute positively to the U.S. economy and workforce.



(07)

LGBTQ+ RIGHTS/HEALTH

Prepared by Sara Murry, MSW, LCSW-C, and Alexandra DiOrio

- Over 11 million adult Americans and approximately 3.2 million young Americans identify as LGBTQ+ [1, 2]
- The presidential candidate's views differ on marriage equality, protections against discrimination based on LGBTQ+ identity, and the inclusion of LGBTQ+ topics in publicly funded education [3]

LGBTQ+ RIGHTS/HEALTH



KAMALA HARRIS



DONALD J. TRUMP

Supports marriage equality as a fundamental right. "She'll always defend the freedom to love who you love openly and with pride." [1, 3]

Opposes Federal marriage equality and Supports State-level decisions. "Republicans will promote a Culture that values the Sanctity of Marriage." [2]

Supports anti-discrimination protections for LGBTQ+ Americans
Harris will "fight to pass the Equality Act to enshrine anti-discrimination protections for [LGBTQ+] Americans in health care, housing, education..." This includes support for gender-affirming care and opposition to a ban on military service for transgender people. [4, 6]

Opposes expanded protections for LGBTQ+ Americans
"We will keep men out of women's sports, ban Taxpayer funding for sex change surgeries, and stop Taxpayer-funded Schools from promoting gender transition." This includes support for a federal gender-affirming care ban for minors and punishing doctors who provide care. [2, 6]

Supports updated Title IX regulations that outlaw sex-based, sexual-orientation-based, and gender-identity-based discrimination in schools that receive federal funding. [5]

Opposes updated Title IX regulations and plans to "reverse Title IX Education Regulations." Furthermore, plans to "cut federal funding for any school pushing...radical gender ideology," or "political indoctrination of our children." [2]






(08)

MENTAL HEALTH

*Prepared by Deena Shariq, BS
and Sara Murry, MSW, LCSW-C*

- 
- 1 in 5 Americans experience mental illness every year [1]
 - Over 50% of Americans diagnosed with a mental health condition do not receive treatment [1]
 - The presidential candidates differ in their approach to addressing the mental health crisis

MENTAL HEALTH

KAMALA HARRIS & TIM WALZ

“The plan has to be to strengthen the ACA, not get rid of it” [2]

- When the Affordable Care Act (ACA) was passed in 2013, it set regulations that required health insurance companies to cover mental health and substance use disorder services. [3]
- Supported the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act, which invested over \$11 billion to expand mental health and substance use disorder services, including crisis intervention, the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, and community-based mental health programs. [4, 5]

“Committed to ending the opioid epidemic and tackling the scourge of fentanyl” [6]

- Worked with the FDA to make Naloxone, an overdose-reversal drug, available over-the-counter in 2023. [6]
- Plans to disrupt the influx of opioids into the US by signing the bipartisan border bill, which includes funding for enhanced drug detection technology at the southwest border. [6]

“[Harris and Walz] will fight to end Veteran homelessness, investing in mental health and suicide prevention efforts, and eliminating barriers to employment and expanding economic opportunity for military and Veteran families.” [6]

DONALD J. TRUMP & JD VANCE

- As president, Trump issued an executive order, that lifted ACA regulations that expanded access to health insurance plans that exclude coverage of mental health care benefits. [7]
- During the presidential debate for his 2024 campaign, Trump reaffirmed his opposition to the ACA and stated that he will repeal or modify it if re-elected. [2]

“And for those who are severely mentally ill and deeply disturbed, we will bring them back to mental institutions, where they belong, with the goal of reintegrating them back into society once they are well enough to manage.” [8]

- Aims to increase funding for faith-based drug addiction treatment programs, expand career training opportunities for recovered persons, expand FMLA for caregivers of a person in recovery, and “[impose] the death penalty for drug traffickers.” [9]

“I will make it a personal mission to totally eradicate Veterans’ homelessness in America by the end of next term.” [10]

- Signed the VA MISSION Act of 2018 during his presidency, which expanded Veterans’ access to healthcare, including mental and behavioral health services. [11]
- If re-elected, Trump intends to increase Veterans’ access to private healthcare options. [12]



(09)

REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH ACCESS

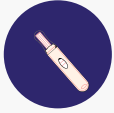
*Alexandra Diorio MPH CHES, Gabriel Dogbanya MD MPH, and
Kerra Mercon MS*

- Abortion is currently banned in 13 states, restricted to 20 weeks gestation or less in 11 states, and protected under the state constitution in 5 states. [1]
- 15 states and DC require abstinence-only sex education in schools with limited or no discussion of contraceptive options. [2]
- 15 states require the option for insurance companies to cover fertility treatments, such as in-vitro fertilization (IVF). [3]
- 14 states are considering bills that assign personhood to fetuses. [4]

REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH ACCESS

KAMALA HARRIS

ABORTION



- Supports federal access to abortion using the framework of Roe v. Wade which allowed access until fetal viability. [16]
- Said she would sign legislation passed by Congress restoring federal access to abortion if elected. [10]
- Supports repealing the Hyde Amendment which prevents using federal funds for abortions with few exceptions. [9]
- Supports FDA approval of mifepristone. [17]
- Supports rolling back the filibuster in the Senate to pass federal abortion protections. [17]



"Ours is a fight for the future and it is a fight for freedom, like the freedom of a woman to make decisions about her own body and not have her government tell her what to do" [14]

CONTRACEPTION



- Supports coverage of over-the-counter contraceptives. [5]
- Supported the proposed Right to Contraceptive Act. [5]
- Focused on access to contraception among college students. [6]

"...contraception is health care and that every person in America should have the right to access the health care they need." [6]
— Harris

IN-VITRO FERTILIZATION



- Supports IVF access. [15]
- Backs a Senate bill that establishes rights and protections for IVF nationwide. [18]

"...I will always support access to IVF." [21]

DONALD J. TRUMP

ABORTION



- Stance has shifted during his campaign. He has not said he supports a federal ban but in a radio interview he said he was considering 15 weeks. [10]
- Has not said that he would veto a federal abortion ban if he is re-elected. [10]
- Supports state regulation of abortion access, including monitoring pregnancies and prosecuting violations. [12, 18]
- Initially criticized Florida's current six-week ban, but plans to vote "no" on Florida's legislatively referred constitutional amendment (Amendment 4) which would remove the ban and enable access until fetal viability or for the health of the mother. [13]
- Open to restricting access to abortion pills such as mifepristone. [18]
- Takes responsibility for the overturning of Roe v. Wade. [19]

[On the overturning of Roe v. Wade] "...we've done something on abortion that nobody thought was possible" [19]

CONTRACEPTION



- Stance on contraceptives has been unclear, with Trump repeatedly mentioning a forthcoming policy on contraception.

"I have never, and will never advocate imposing restrictions on birth control or other contraceptives." [7]

— Trump 05/2024

[On potentially restricting contraception access], "We're looking at that...some states are going to have different policy than others." [8]

— Trump 05/2024

IN-VITRO FERTILIZATION



- Supports IVF access. [13]
- Supports government or health insurance companies paying for all associated costs. [13]

"We want to make it easier for mothers and fathers to have babies, not harder!" [20]



(10)

MATERNAL MORTALITY & HEALTH EQUITY

Prepared by Dara Gleeson, MPH, CHES & Khiara Makayla Lee, MPH

- The United States has the highest rate of maternal mortality compared with all other high-income nations: approximately two times higher than South Korea, three times higher than Canada, and nearly four times higher than the United Kingdom .[1]
- Most maternal deaths are considered preventable. [2]
- Significant disparities persist across racial/ethnic groups: Black women are three times more likely to die from a pregnancy-related cause than White women. [3]

MATERNAL MORTALITY & HEALTH EQUITY

KAMALA HARRIS

Harris' campaign website states: "...led the Administration's [Biden-Harris] efforts to combat maternal mortality" [4]. Harris plans to continue such efforts as President.

As Vice President

- December 2021: Harris called on states to extend their postpartum Medicaid coverage to a full year. [5]
- April 2021: Harris hosted a roundtable at the White House to address Black maternal health issues in the United States, and to highlight disparities that Black women face in maternal health. [6]
- April 2022: Harris initiated a meeting of the President's Cabinet to address maternal and child health issues in the United States, particularly those related to rising maternal mortality and morbidity rates, and associated racial/ethnic disparities. [7]
- June 2022: Harris announced the Biden-Harris Administration's Blueprint for Addressing the Maternal Health Crisis, which focuses on reducing disparities in maternal health outcomes. [8]
- May 2023: Harris introduced a new program through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, to distribute a one-time only Newborn Supply Kit to new mothers. [9]

Tim Walz, as Governor of Minnesota

- 2021: Walz signed the Dignity in Childbirth and Pregnancy Act, which requires hospitals to implement training for healthcare providers to understand the impact of structural racism within maternal healthcare. [10]
- 2021: Walz signed the Minnesota Department of Corrections Healthy Start Act, to provide resources to incarcerated mothers and their newborn children. [11]

DONALD J. TRUMP

Former President Donald Trump made moves during his presidency to improve maternal mortality rates for American women. He has not mentioned specifics about maternal mortality during this campaign cycle.

During First Presidency

- Trump signed the Preventing Maternal Death Act[12] in 2018, which was supported by the American Hospital Association, provides funding for states to develop maternal mortality review committees to better understand maternal complications and identify solutions.
- Implemented the MOM model [13] to provide care for low-income and postpartum moms who have opioid use disorder.
- Created a rural health plan [14] that included expanding the Rural Maternity and Obstetrics Management Strategy (RMOMS) Program to address lack of pregnancy care access in rural communities.
- Roe v. Wade was overturned during Trump's presidency which may have led to riskier abortion practices, delayed care for mothers experiencing adverse pregnancy outcomes, and doctors being afraid to perform potentially life-saving services.[15,16]

REFERENCES

CHILD CARE REFERENCES

- 1) Schneider, A. & Gibbs, H. (2023). Data Dashboard: An Overview of Child Care and Early Learning in the United States. Center for American Progress. <https://www.americanprogress.org/article/data-dashboard-an-overview-of-child-care-and-early-learning-in-the-united-states/>
- 2) Harris Walz Campaign. (2024). A new way forward for the middle class. Retrieved from: https://kamalaharris.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/Policy_Book_Economic-Opportunity.pdf
- 3) Luhby, T. (2024). Harris wants to limit child care costs to 7% of family income. CNN Politics. Retrieved from: <https://www.cnn.com/2024/09/18/politics/child-care-harris-7-percent-cap/index.html>
- 4) The New York Times. (2024). Full transcript of Kamala Harris's Democratic Convention Speech. The New York Times. Retrieved from: <https://www.nytimes.com/2024/08/23/us/politics/kamala-harris-speech-transcript.html>
- 5) Saujani, R. (2024) I Asked Trump the Viral Question About Childcare. What His Answer Tells Us. TIME. Retrieved from: <https://time.com/7019528/trump-childcare-reshma-saujani-essay/>
- 6) Wolf, Z.B. (2024). Trump's rambling answer to a child care question, deconstructed. CNN Politics. Retrieved from: <https://www.cnn.com/2024/09/06/politics/child-care-trump-what-matters/index.html>
- 7) Bender, M.C. (2024) Trump and Vance Took Questions on Child Care. Their Non-Answers Said a Lot. The New York Times. Retrieved from: <https://www.nytimes.com/2024/09/06/us/politics/trump-vance-child-care.html>
- 8) Baram, M. (2024) Trump Touts Commitment to Child Care But as President He Worked to Slash It. Capital & Main. Retrieved from <https://capitalandmain.com/trump-touts-commitment-to-child-care-but-as-president-he-worked-to-slash-it>

K-12 EDUCATION REFERENCES

1. Quinn, M. (2024, September 20). Kamala Harris says she is a gun owner in presidential debate with Trump. Here's what She Said. CBS News. <https://www.cbsnews.com/news/kamala-harris-gun-owner-debate-donald-trump/>
2. Schaeffer, K. (2024). U.S. public, private and charter schools in 5 charts. Pew Research Center. <https://www.pewresearch.org/short-reads/2024/06/06/us-public-private-and-charter-schools-in-5charts/#:~:text=During%20the%202021%2D22%20school%20year%2C%20the%20vast%20majority%20of,almost%205.8%20million%20in%202015>
3. Beauvais, A. (2024, September 10). What Harris and Trump might do about guns if elected. The Trace. <https://www.thetrace.org/2024/09/harris-trump-gun-policy-debate-president/>
4. <https://www.thetrace.org/2024/09/harris-trump-gun-policy-debate-president/>
5. What we know about Trump and Harris' views on education policy: NPR. (n.d.). Retrieved October 14, 2024, from <https://www.npr.org/2024/09/08/nx-s1-5103698/trump-harris-election-platforms-education-views> News, A. B. C. (n.d.).
6. Education policy: How Harris and Trump differ on K-12, higher education and more. ABC News. Retrieved October 14, 2024, from <https://abcnews.go.com/Politics/education-policy-harris-trump-differ-12-higher-education/story?id=112977887>
7. Stanford, L. (2024, August 20). Where Does Kamala Harris Stand on Education? Inside the 2024 Democratic Platform. Education Week. <https://www.edweek.org/policy-politics/where-does-kamala-harris-stand-on-education-inside-the-2024-democratic-platform/2024/08>
8. President Trump's Plan to Save American Education and Give Power Back to Parents | Donald J. Trump For President 2024. (n.d.). Retrieved October 14, 2024, from <https://www.donaldjtrump.com/news/da7f3c42-76b5-42c0-9beb-475d649030ae#>

GUN CONTROL & GUN VIOLENCE REFERENCES

1. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (2024, July 5). *Fast facts: Firearm injury and death*. <https://www.cdc.gov/firearm-violence/data-research/facts-stats/index.html>
2. CDC. (2024, July 22). Fast Facts: Firearm Injury and Death. Firearm Injury and Death Prevention. <https://www.cdc.gov/firearm-violence/data-research/facts-stats/index.html>
3. Quinn, M. (2024, September 20). Kamala Harris says she is a gun owner in presidential debate with Trump. Here's what she said—CBS News. <https://www.cbsnews.com/news/kamala-harris-gun-owner-debate-donald-trump/>
4. The Bipartisan Safer Communities Act, 1 Year Later. (2023, August 10). Center for American Progress <https://www.americanprogress.org/article/the-bipartisan-safer-communities-act-1-year-later/>
5. Beauvais, A. (2024, September 10). What Harris and Trump Might Do About Guns If Elected. The Trace. <https://www.thetrace.org/2024/09/harris-trump-gun-policy-debate-president/>
6. Panchal, N., Cox, C., & Published, R. R. (2022, September 6). The Landscape of School-Based Mental Health Services. KFF. <https://www.kff.org/mental-health/issue-brief/the-landscape-of-school-based-mental-health-services/>
7. News, A. B. C. (n.d.). Here's where the 2024 presidential candidates stand on guns. ABC News. Retrieved October 14, 2024, from <https://abcnews.go.com/Politics/2024-presidential-candidates-stand-guns/story?id=103313114>
8. Agenda47: President Trump Announces Plan to End Crime and Restore Law and Order | Donald J. Trump For President 2024. (n.d.). Retrieved October 14, 2024, from <https://www.donaldjtrump.com/agenda47/agenda47-president-trump-announces-plan-to-end-crime-and-restore-law-and-order>
9. Trump receives NRA endorsement as he vows to protect gun rights. (2024, May 18). AP News. <https://apnews.com/article/trump-speech-nra-gun-owners-second-amendment-de03ae7672f2b1e213da6acbf25df378>
10. Swearer, A. (n.d.). A Second Amendment Grade for President Trump So Far. The Heritage Foundation. Retrieved October 15, 2024, from <https://www.heritage.org/firearms/commentary/second-amendment-grade-president-trump-so-far>
11. Trump tells NRA members “no one will lay a finger on your firearms” if he returns to the White House. (2024, February 9). AP News. <https://apnews.com/article/trump-election-2024-nevada-south-carolina-a6339d7c607bc042bb01583876e129cb>

HEALTH CARE REFERENCES

1. Peterson-KFF Health System Tracker. (2023). *How does health spending in the U.S. compare to other countries?* <https://www.healthsystemtracker.org/chart-collection/health-spending-u-s-compare-countries/>
2. Harris, K. (2024). Official website of Kamala Harris. Retrieved October 4, 2024, from <https://kamalaharris.com/>
3. Isenstadt, A. (2023, September 27). Trump calls to replace Obamacare, reopening a fight Republicans had tried to close. NBC News. <https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/2024-election/trump-calls-replace-obamacare-reopening-fight-republicans-tried-close-rcna170655>
4. Center on Budget and Policy Priorities. (2020, October 1). Trump administration's harmful changes to Medicaid. Retrieved October 4, 2024, from <https://www.cbpp.org/research/health/trump-administrations-harmful-changes-to-medicaid>
5. The White House. (2024, August 15). Statement from Vice President Kamala Harris on lower prescription drug prices. Retrieved October 4, 2024, from <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2024/08/15/statement-from-vice-president-kamala-harris-on-lower-prescription-drug-prices/>
6. Gore, D. (2020, July 28). Trump's executive orders on prescription drugs. FactCheck.org. Retrieved October 4, 2024, from <https://www.factcheck.org/2020/07/trumps-executive-orders-on-prescription-drugs/>

HIGHER EDUCATION REFERENCES

1. Social Determinant of Health: Education Is Crucial. (2021, January 27). <https://publichealth.tulane.edu/blog/social-determinant-of-health-education-is-crucial/>
2. Stanford, L. (2024, August 20). Where Does Kamala Harris Stand on Education? Inside the 2024 Democratic Platform. Education Week. <https://www.edweek.org/policy-politics/where-does-kamala-harris-stand-on-education-inside-the-2024-democratic-platform/2024/08>
3. (N.d.). Retrieved October 14, 2024, from <https://democrats.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/FINAL-MASTER-PLATFORM.pdf%20->
4. Issues. (n.d.). Kamala Harris for President: Official Campaign Website. Retrieved October 14, 2024, from <https://kamalaharris.com/issues/>
5. Turner, C. (2024, September 8). Here's where Trump and Harris stand on 6 education issues. NPR. <https://www.npr.org/2024/09/08/nx-s1-5103698/trump-harris-election-platforms-education-views>
6. Platform | Donald J. Trump For President 2024. (n.d.). Retrieved October 14, 2024, from <https://www.donaldjtrump.com/platform>
7. Guynn, J. (n.d.). DEI efforts may be under attack, but companies aren't retreating from commitments. USA TODAY. Retrieved October 16, 2024, from <https://www.usatoday.com/story/money/2024/07/17/dei-workplace-trump-vance-impact/74432633007/>
8. News, A. B. C. (n.d.). Education policy: How Harris and Trump differ on K-12, higher education and more. ABC News. Retrieved October 14, 2024, from <https://abcnews.go.com/Politics/education-policy-harris-trump-differ-12-higher-education/story?id=112977887>

IMMIGRATION REFERENCES

1. Batalova JBJ. Frequently Requested Statistics on Immigrants and Immigration in the United States. migrationpolicy.org. March 11, 2024. Accessed October 4, 2024. <https://www.migrationpolicy.org/article/frequently-requested-statistics-immigrants-and-immigration-united-states-2024>
2. U.S. Census Bureau. The Foreign-Born Population in the United States: 2022. Census.gov. 2024. Accessed October 4, 2024. <https://www.census.gov/library/publications/2024/acs/acsbr-019.html>
3. Krogstad JSP and JM. What we know about unauthorized immigrants living in the U.S. Pew Research Center. July 22, 2024. Accessed October 4, 2024. <https://www.pewresearch.org/short-reads/2024/07/22/what-we-know-about-unauthorized-immigrants-living-in-the-us/>
4. Issues - Kamala Harris for President: Official Campaign Website. Accessed October 4, 2024. <https://kamalaharris.com/issues/>
5. 2024 Presidential Debate from ABC News.; 2024. Accessed October 4, 2024. <https://www.bing.com/videos/riverview/relatedvideo?q=presidential+debate+2024+live+stream&mid=3A8CD95CFA25E2EF14AD3A8CD95CFA25E2EF14AD&FORM=VIRE>
6. NBC News. Kamala Harris' tough-on-migration pitch at the border points to a shifting national mood. NBC News. September 28, 2024. Accessed October 4, 2024. <https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/2024-election/kamala-harris-tough-migration-pitch-border-points-shifting-national-mo-rcna172850>
7. Platform | Donald J. Trump For President 2024. 2024. Accessed October 4, 2024. <https://www.donaldjtrump.com/platform>
8. Eric Cortellessa. How Far Trump Would Go. TIME Mag. Published online April 30, 2024. Accessed October 4, 2024. <https://time.com/6972021/donald-trump-2024-election-interview/>

LGBTQ+ REFERENCES

1. Jones, J. (2024, March 13). LGBTQ+ Identification in U.S. Now at 7.6%. Gallup. <https://news.gallup.com/poll/611864/lgbtq-identification.aspx>
2. Movement Advancement Project. (2024). Movement Advancement Project | LGBTQ Youth. www.lgbtmap.org. <https://www.lgbtmap.org/policy-and-issue-analysis/LGBTQ-youth>
3. Nadeem, R. (2024, June 6). 5. Gender identity, sexual orientation and the 2024 election. Pew Research Center. <https://www.pewresearch.org/politics/2024/06/06/gender-identity-sexual-orientation-and-the-2024-election/>
4. A New Way Forward. (2024). Retrieved from <https://kamalaharris.com/issues>
5. Agenda 47. (2024). Retrieved from <https://www.donaldjtrump.com/platform>
6. Harris, K. [@vp] (2023, June 28). As Attorney General of California, I pronounced Kris and Sandy spouses for life after their lawsuit struck down California's ban [Video]. Instagram. <https://www.instagram.com/p/CuDGqgPNNfh/>
7. Advocates for Trans Equality Endorses Vice President Kamala Harris for President. (2024, July 22). Advocates for Trans Equality. Retrieved from <https://transequality.org/news/advocates-trans-equality-endorses-vice-president-kamala-harris-president>
8. Binkley, C. (2024, April 19). Biden's new Title IX rules protect LGBTQ+ students, but avoid addressing transgender athletes. Associated Press. <https://apnews.com/article/title-ix-sexual-assault-transgender-sports-d0fc0ab7515de02b8e4403d0481dc1e7>
9. Ring, T. (2024). Where do Kamala Harris and Donald Trump stand on LGBTQ+ rights? Advocate. <https://www.advocate.com/election/where-harris-trump-stand-lgbtq#rebellitem1>

MENTAL HEALTH REFERENCES

1. National Alliance on Mental Illness. (2023, April). *Mental health by the numbers*. NAMI. <https://www.nami.org/about-mental-illness/mental-health-by-the-numbers/>
2. ABC News. (2024, September 11). *READ: Harris-Trump presidential debate transcript*. <https://abcnews.go.com/Politics/harris-trump-presidential-debate-transcript/story?id=113560542>
3. 2010. Mar 23, The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA), Pub. L. No. 111-148, 124 Stat. 119. <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/house-bill/3590>
4. The White House. (2024, March 23). *FACT SHEET: Vice president Kamala Harris announces two gun safety solutions while continuing efforts to keep schools safe from gun violence*. <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2024/03/23/fact-sheet-vice-president-harris-announces-gun-safety-solutions-while-continuing-efforts-to-keep-schools-safe-from-gun-violence/>
5. 2022. June 25, Bipartisan Safer Communities Act, Pub. L. No. 117-159, 136 Stat. 1313. <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/senate-bill/2938/>
6. A new way forward. (2024, September 9). *Kamala Harris for President: Official Campaign Website*. <https://kamalaharris.com/issues/>
7. The White House. (2017, October 12). *Presidential executive order promoting healthcare choice and competition across the United States*. <https://trumpwhitehouse.archives.gov/presidential-actions/presidential-executive-order-promoting-healthcare-choice-competition-across-united-states/>
8. Donald J. Trump. (2023, April 18). *Agenda47: Ending the nightmare of the homeless, drug addicts, and dangerously deranged*. <https://www.donaldjtrump.com/agenda47/agenda47-ending-the-nightmare-of-the-homeless-drug-addicts-and-dangerously-deranged>
9. Donald J. Trump. (2023, June 6). *Agenda47: Ending the scourge of drug addiction in America*. <https://www.donaldjtrump.com/agenda47/agenda47-ending-the-scurge-of-drug-addiction-in-america>
10. Donald J. Trump. (2023, November 1). *Agenda47: Ending veteran homelessness in America*. <https://www.donaldjtrump.com/agenda47/agenda47-ending-veteran-homelessness-in-america>
11. The White House. (2018, June 6). *Remarks by President Trump at signing of the VA MISSION Act of 2018*. <https://trumpwhitehouse.archives.gov/briefings-statements/remarks-president-trump-signing-va-mission-act-2018/>
12. Donald J. Trump. (n.d.). *Platform | Donald J. Trump for president 2024*. <https://www.donaldjtrump.com/platform>

REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS REFERENCES

1. Barton, R. (2024, February 28). Lawmakers in more than a dozen states are considering fetal personhood bills. NPR. <https://www.npr.org/2024/02/28/1234412417/lawmakers-in-more-than-a-dozen-states-are-considering-fetal-personhood-bills>
2. Guttmacher Institute. (n.d.). Interactive Map: US Abortion Policies and Access After Roe. Retrieved November 27, 2023, from <https://states.guttmacher.org/policies/>
3. In what states is IVF covered by insurance?: A comprehensive guide for HR leaders. (2024, June 21). Maven Clinic. <https://www.mavenclinic.com/post/in-what-states-is-ivf-covered-by-insurance>
4. Samuels, F. M. D. (2022). Graphic: Many States That Restrict or Ban Abortion Don't Teach Kids about Sex and Pregnancy. Scientific American. <https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/graphic-many-states-that-restrict-or-ban-abortion-dont-teach-kids-about-sex-and-pregnancy/>
5. The White House (2023, December 6). Readout of Vice President Kamala Harris's Participation at the Department of Education's Convening on Access to Contraception for College Students. The White House. <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2023/12/05/readout-of-vice-president-kamala-harris-participation-at-the-department-of-education-convening-on-access-to-contraception-for-college-students/>
6. Ranji, U., Salganicoff, A., Sanchez, B. C., & Published, L. S. (2024, October 1). Harris v. Trump: Records and Positions on Reproductive Health. KFF. <https://www.kff.org/womens-health-policy/issue-brief/harris-v-trump-records-and-positions-on-reproductive-health/>
7. Sullivan, K. (2024, May 21). Trump says he does not support restricting birth control after saying he was 'looking at' contraception | CNN Politics. CNN. <https://www.cnn.com/2024/05/21/politics/trump-birth-control-comments/index.html>
8. Trump says he is open to restrictions on contraception before backing away from the statement. (2024, May 21). AP News. <https://apnews.com/article/trump-contraception-birth-control-abortion-2024-8f73bb1b3a5864b24157f15eb272a3e6>
9. Harris, K. [@KamalaHarris]. (2019, June 5) No woman's access to reproductive health care should be based on how much money she has. We must repeal the Hyde Amendment [Tweet]. X. <https://x.com/KamalaHarris/status/1136320875102429184>
10. Quinn, M. (2024, September 11). Trump and Harris' views on abortion and IVF access, explained. CBS News. <https://www.cbsnews.com/news/trump-harris-abortion-2024/>
11. Allen, J., Bowman, B., Kamisar, B., Kapur, S., Korecki, N., Nicholas, P., Pettypiece, S., Reilly, R., Seitz-Wald, A., Smith, A., Tsirkin, J., Wong, S., Wollner, A., Bland, S., Terkel, A., and Carman, J. (2024, September 9). Harris and Trump: Compare where they stand on key issues. NBC News. <https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/2024-election/harris-trump-stance-issues-policies-president-race-rcna150570>
12. Rinaldi, O., Rosen, J., and Yilek, C. (2024, August 30). Trump says he wants government or insurance to pay for IVF, criticizes Florida abortion ban. CBS News. <https://www.cbsnews.com/news/trump-ivf-insurance-government-coverage/>
13. Yilek, C. (2024, August 30). Trump says he'll vote to uphold Florida's 6-week abortion ban amid conservative backlash. CBS News. <https://www.cbsnews.com/news/trump-florida-abortion-ban-amendment-vote/>
14. Harris, K. (2024). Remarks by Vice President Harris at the EMILYs List We Are EMILY National Gala [Speech Transcript]. The White House. <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/speeches-remarks/2024/05/08/remarks-by-vice-president-harris-at-the-emilys-list-we-are-emily-national-gala/>
15. Harris, K. (2024). Statement from Vice President Harris on Senate Republicans' Vote to Once Again Block Nationwide Protections for IVF [Speech Transcript]. The White House. <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2024/09/17/statement-from-vice-president-harris-on-senate-republicans-vote-to-once-again-block-nationwide-protections-for-ivf/>
16. Seitz, A. and Ungar, L. (2024). Kamala Harris gives abortion rights advocates the debate answer they've longed for in Philadelphia. AP News. <https://apnews.com/article/abortion-debate-kamala-harris-donald-trump-35078cdb5bb939eec323c7aa56434cad>
17. Beard, K., Cheeseman, A., and McDaniel, J. (2024). Kamala Harris's abortion policies, explained. Washington Post. <https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/interactive/2023/presidential-candidates-2024-policies-issues/kamala-harris-abortion/>
18. Barron-Lopez, L. and Schmitz, A. (2024). Where Harris and Trump stand on abortion access and reproductive rights. PBS. <https://www.pbs.org/newshour/show/where-harris-and-trump-stand-on-abortion-access-and-reproductive-rights>
19. Sullivan, K. and Bradner, E. (2024). Trump says women won't be 'thinking about abortion' if he's elected, casting himself as their 'protector'. CNN. <https://www.cnn.com/2024/09/24/politics/donald-trump-women-voters-protector-abortion/index.html>
20. Pollard, J., Price, M. L., Kinnard, M., and Barrow, B. (2024). Ahead of South Carolina primary, Trump says he strongly supports IVF after Alabama court ruling. AP News. <https://apnews.com/article/trump-ivf-abortion-alabama-republicans-8215336740a5963b57bbd970b47bb3a7>
21. Harris, K. [@KamalaHarris]. (2024, March 8). President @JoeBiden and I will always protect access to IVF [Tweet]. X. <https://x.com/KamalaHarris/status/1766147097219272896?lang=en>

MATERNAL MORTALITY & INEQUITIES REFERENCES

1. Gunja, M.Z., Gumas, E., & Williams, R.D. (2022). The U.S. maternal mortality crisis continues to worsen: An international comparison. The Commonwealth Fund. Retrieved from: <https://www.commonwealthfund.org/blog/2022/us-maternal-mortality-crisis-continues-worsen-international-comparison>
2. CDC Newsroom. (2022). Four in 5 pregnancy-related deaths in the U.S. are preventable. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Retrieved from: <https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2022/p0919-pregnancy-related-deaths.html>
- 3) Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (2024). Working together to reduce black maternal mortality. Retrieved from: <https://www.cdc.gov/womens-health/features/maternal-mortality.html>
- 4) Harris Walz. (2024). The issues. Retrieved from: <https://kamalaharris.com/issues/>
- 5) The White House. (2024). The White House blueprint for addressing the maternal health crisis: Two years of progress. Retrieved from: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2024/07/10/the-white-house-blueprint-for-addressing-the-maternal-health-crisis-two-years-of-progress/>
- 6) C-Span. (2021). Vice President Harris roundtable on black maternal health. Retrieved from: <https://www.c-span.org/video/?510792-1/vice-president-harris-roundtable-black-maternal-health>
- 7) The White House. (2022). Remarks by Vice President Harris in a meeting on maternal health. Retrieved from: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/speeches-remarks/2022/04/13/remarks-by-vice-president-harris-in-a-meeting-on-maternal-health/>
- 8) The White House. (2022). White House blueprint for addressing the maternal health crisis. Retrieved from: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/Maternal-Health-Blueprint.pdf>
- 9) U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. (2023). About the newborn supply kit. Retrieved from: <https://www.hhs.gov/healthcare/maternal-health/newborn-supply-kit/about/index.html>
- 10) Minnesota Department of Health. (2023). Dignity in Pregnancy and Childbirth Act. Retrieved from: <https://www.health.state.mn.us/people/womeninfants/womenshealth/childbirthact.html>
- 11) Minnesota Department of Health. (2021). Governor Walz signs Healthy Start Act into law to support health, wellbeing of incarcerated mothers, children. Retrieved from: <https://mn.gov/governor/newsroom/press-releases/?id=1055-482190>
- 12) Gdiesing. (n.d.). President signs AHA-supported maternal health bill: AHA News. American Hospital Association | AHA News. <https://www.aha.org/news/headline/2019-01-07-president-signs-aha-supported-maternal-health-bill>
- 13) Maternal opioid misuse (MOM) model. CMS.gov. (n.d.). <https://www.cms.gov/priorities/innovation/innovation-models/maternal-opioid-misuse-model>
- 14) Rural action plan - september 2020. (n.d.). <https://www.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/hhs-rural-action-plan.pdf>
- 15) Chowdhury, M. (2023, July 23). Medical professionals describe a world of uncertainty a year after the Roe v. Wade reversal. CNN. <https://www.cnn.com/2023/07/23/us/doctors-reactions-roe-v-wade-reversal/index.html>
- 16) Berg, J. A., & Woods, N. F. (2023, January 6). Overturning Roe v. Wade: Consequences for Midlife Women's health and well-being. Women's midlife health. <https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC9824972/>



SCHOOL OF
PUBLIC HEALTH

GENERAL ELECTION DAY

Nov 5th

VOTE!

