

# Q&A with the Candidates

## Arizona House District 9

Many voters are wondering where their candidates stand on key issues. Below, we've gathered select answers so you can make an informed choice.



**Lorena Austin (D)**



**Mary Ann Mendoza (R)**

<p><b><i>Where do the candidates stand on funding for public schools?</i></b></p>	<p>Lorena Austin will make sure our schools are fully funded.</p> <p>Sources: <a href="https://www.lorena4arizona.com/issues">https://www.lorena4arizona.com/issues</a></p>	<p>Mary Ann Mendoza supports taking money out of public schools when Arizona schools are already suffering.</p> <p>Sources: 2022 CAP AZ Primary Voter Guide</p>
<p><b><i>Where do the candidates stand on women's health and abortion access?</i></b></p>	<p>Lorena Austin is proudly pro-choice and believes that a woman's health decisions should be made between her and her doctor – not by politicians.</p> <p>Sources: Facebook Lorena Austin for State House</p>	<p>Mary Ann Mendoza says she is "pro-life," and is committed to banning abortions even in cases of rape or incest and potentially jailing women.</p> <p>Sources: Mendoza for Arizona; 2022 CAP AZ Primary Voter Guide</p>
<p><b><i>Where do the candidates stand on vote-by-mail and election issues?</i></b></p>	<p>Lorena Austin will protect our right to vote. She opposes efforts to restrict vote-by-mail and other restrictions that will lead to longer lines.</p> <p>Sources: <a href="https://www.ourvoiceourvote.us/">https://www.ourvoiceourvote.us/</a></p>	<p>Mary Ann Mendoza has bought into the conspiracy theory that the 2020 election was "stolen." She would also change Arizona's mail-in voting system.</p> <p>Sources: Facebook maryann.mendoza.56; Mendoza for Arizona</p>

We encourage you to look at the candidates' websites and reputable news outlets for more information on these and other issues. Visit [MyVoterInformation.org](http://MyVoterInformation.org) for information on early voting. The last day to vote is Election Day, Tuesday, November 8. We hope this information is useful to you and that you will be sure to vote!