

# Q&A with the Candidates

## Pennsylvania House District 82

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



**Paul Takac Jr. (D)**



**Justin Behrens (R)**

<p><b>Where do the candidates stand on funding for public schools and local control?</b></p>	<p>Paul Takac will fight for our fair share of school funding. He believes that we should hold charter schools to the same standards required of public schools.</p> <p>Source: <a href="https://www.paultakac.com/policy">https://www.paultakac.com/policy</a></p>	<p>Justin Behrens advocated for diverting taxpayer dollars from our local public schools to fund unaccountable private schools.</p> <p>Source: Penn Dept. of State, Campaign Finance; BehrensForCentreCounty.com/issues Philadelphia Tribune, 5/18/21</p>
<p><b>Where do the candidates stand on women's health and abortion access?</b></p>	<p>Paul Takac strongly supports the right of every woman to make her own healthcare decisions, without government interference.</p> <p>Source: <a href="https://www.paultakac.com/policy">https://www.paultakac.com/policy</a></p>	<p>Justin Behrens' allies want to outlaw abortion, even in cases of rape and incest and when the health or life of the woman is at risk.</p> <p>Source: Penn Dept. of State, Campaign Finance; SB 106, 7/8/22; WHYY, 7/9/22</p>
<p><b>Where do the candidates stand on vote-by-mail and election issues?</b></p>	<p>Paul Takac supports fair redistricting so voters can choose their representatives and not the other way around. He will also work to make voting easier.</p> <p>Source: <a href="https://pa-collegetownship.civicplus.com/DocumentCenter/View/180/2020-BudgetApproved-PDF">https://pa-collegetownship.civicplus.com/DocumentCenter/View/180/2020-BudgetApproved-PDF</a></p>	<p>Justin Behrens opposed certifying election results in 2020 in Pennsylvania, propping up the baseless conspiracy theory that Donald Trump won the 2020 election and contributing to the lies that led to the January 6 insurrection in our nation's capital.</p> <p>Source: WHYY, 11/23/2020; Wilkes-Barre Citizens' Voice, 11/8/20; Law &amp; Crime Blog, 11/23/20</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!