

# Upcoming Special Election

Legislative Issue Guide • House District 163

Election Day: May 16, 2023

## Women's Health

### Heather Boyd (D)

Heather Boyd served as the president of the Delco chapter of the National Organization for Women and is committed to protecting the right to an abortion and access to birth control in Pennsylvania.

Sources: Delco NOW, accessed 3/9/23; Facebook, Heather Boyd, 9/1/21

### Katie Ford (R)

Katie Ford is part of a coalition that wants to ban abortion, even in the cases of rape, incest, and when the health of the mother is at risk. Her allies would restrict access to birth control and ban a medication for women who suffer a miscarriage.

Sources: SB 106, 7/8/22; WENY News, 7/8/22

## Public Schools

### Heather Boyd (D)

Heather Boyd will work to make sure our schools receive their fair share of state funding. She is a former teacher with two sons who attend Upper Darby public schools. She's also a former school board member who increased school security without sacrificing programming.

Sources: Delco Times, Letter to the editor by Heather Boyd, 10/31/14; Delco Times, 6/17/15

### Katie Ford (R)

Katie Ford supports and is supported by Harrisburg Republicans pushing to privatize public education and divert local public school budgets to pay for it.

Sources: HB 2169, Roll Call #865, 4/27/22; Pennsylvania State Education Association, accessed 4/14/23

## Property Taxes

### Heather Boyd (D)

Heather Boyd will work across party lines to close tax loopholes, reduce local property taxes, and ease the burden on homeowners, especially seniors.

Sources: Fox43, 6/8/21

### Katie Ford (R)

Katie Ford sides with Republicans pushing a wasteful tax giveaway to special interests that would cost local property taxpayers \$26 million, resulting in even higher property taxes on homeowners.

Sources: WHYY, 6/7/21, Pennsylvania Dep. Of Education, 2020-2021

This guide is not an endorsement of either candidate. Different positions will appeal to different voters, but an informed electorate is important to all of us. Remember to mark your calendar and please be sure to vote!

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