PARTY ISSUES COMPARISON 2023

BETTER IDEAS :: BETTER PLANS :: BETTER RESULTS

JCRCC	ISSUE	DEMOCRATS
Declaration of Independence, U.S. Constitution, Washington State Constitution	FOUNDATIONAL DOCUMENTS	U.S. Constitution, United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights, United Nations Declaration of Rights of Indigenous People, Washington State Constitution
Education, not indoctrination in our public schools. Get the Marxists and activists out of the classroom. Parents, not the government, are the child's first and foremost educators. Tax dollars follow student using school choice and vouchers. Oppose the right for public school employees to strike. Oppose student debt forgiveness especially for highly educated elites.	EDUCATION	Oppose vouchers or educational saving accounts. Encourages progressive indoctrination in public schools including critical race theory. Support early sexualization and gender confusion of minors. Silent on homeschooling. Supports student debt forgiveness. Supports free higher education for all. Supports public education teacher's ability to strike.
In accordance with the Declaration of Independence, our unalienable rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness are endowed by our Creator. Support the public display of the Ten Commandments as a reflection of our Judeo-Christian heritage.	GOD IN GOVERNMENT	Silent on the role of God in government. Silent on the source of human rights. Rejects broad religious exemptions for businesses, medical providers and social service agencies. Intolerant of religion and religious values.
Excessive government spending is a root cause of inflation, the most regressive tax. Excessive regulations create unnecessary costs that are passed on and contribute to inflation.	INFLATION	Believe that increasing federal spending will lower inflation. Supports restriction on the production of fossil fuels in the United States. Supports the imposition of regressive carbon taxes in Washington increasing the price of gasoline by over \$0.50 per gallon. This is a regressive tax that hits the working class the hardest.
A free market, free enterprise, entrepreneurial capitalistic economy is the only proven engine for sustaining a productive society with personal liberty and economic well being for all. Government intervention into the operation and excessive regulation of markets and private businesses hurts job creation and expansion.	ECONOMY	Believe that income inequality is the driving issue of our time. Supports socialistic programs that dictate what will be produced such as electric light bulbs, shower heads and, the latest catastrophic push to replace gasoline and diesel automobiles and trucks that are affordable for the lower and middle classes, with electric powered vehicles that are only affordable for the rich elites.
Modern civilization is based on low-cost energy and particularly energy from fossil fuels. Climate change does not present an existential threat to civilization. As it has in the past, humankind will adapt to changes in the climate.	ENERGY	Want to end the use of fossil fuels by 2035?2050? Support carbon taxation resulting in higher energy costs, an effective regressive tax. Ignore facts that support the worldwide use of fossil fuels. Oppose nuclear power plants and new hydroelectric

Support the use of all forms of energy, including fossil fuels, nuclear, hydro, wind and solar. Oppose subsidies to any form of energy. Oppose arbitrary regulations that dictate our energy choices.		plants that emit no CO2. Support subsidies to unsustainable wind and solar power sources. Following Democrat policies puts the electric grid at risk for catastrophic failure.
A nation without borders is no longer a nation. Uncontrolled illegal immigration is not acceptable and has the potential to severely damage society and adversely impact national security. Support comprehensive reform of our legal immigration system to increase the number of legal immigrants and work permit holders. Children born to people who are not legal citizens should not be given US citizenship just because they were born in the US.	IMMIGRATION	Believe in unsecure open borders. This promotes human trafficking, dangerous drug flows that are killing over 80,000 Americans each year, recycling violent criminals that are often members of the Mexican Cartels. Supports a pathway to citizenship for foreign nationals that enter the US illegally or overstay visas.
Biological men should not be allowed to compete in women's sports or use women's locker rooms.	TITLE 9	There should be no restrictions on transexual men competing in women's sports.
Realize that the trust funds that support social security and Medicare will soon be depleted. Support bi-partisan reform discussions to avoid catastrophic results in the 2030's.	SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE	Despite the obvious rapid depletion of trust funds, refuse to discuss reform and demonize anyone who does. Their policies push the can down the road until the inevitable crisis occurs.
Capital gains are income and should not be taxed in Washington State. Support amending the Washington Constitution to clarify. With revenue higher than projected, Olympia should have reduced taxes, it did not.	TAXATION	Hypocritically oppose regressive taxes while supporting regressive taxes that result from excessive regulation and the imposition of various carbon taxes by Democrats in Olympia. Instead, they support income taxes and taxes on capital gains. Supported wealth tax even though the so-called wealth has not been realized.
Limited abortion through 15 weeks. No federal funding for abortion domestically or overseas.	ABORTION	Supports late term abortion (partial birth) and public funding for abortion.
Treat people as individuals with equal rights, not merely as part of groups. Judge people by their character not the color of their skin. Personal responsibility and merit will build a stronger society.	EQUITY	Divide society into groups and give preference to politically connected groups. Support race-based quotas, benefits and reparations that demean and victimize rather than motivate, empower and unify all people.