

# 2016 Candidate Guide

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### A Letter to Durham's Youth

#### Hey kids of Durham!

Did you know that you have the power to change things in your school or your neighborhood? It's not just adults who get to make a big difference in our communities, you can too! And it all starts with voting. When you vote, you are taking part in American democracy by letting your voice be heard. Your voice matters and you should use it. After all, kids make up more than 20% of the population, and in a couple of years we'll be adults too! We are the future and the now of Durham, North Carolina, and the country. That's why it is really important to learn about the candidates and issues in this election, as well as expressing your views to our elected officials year-round. Your schools, your parks, and your communities depend on it!

#### Octagon Club, Durham School of the Arts

September 2016

#### **Kids Voting Durham 2016 Upcoming Events**

#### **Youth Candidate Forum**

Thursday, October 20, 6:30 pm-8:30 pm Holton Center, 401 N. Driver St.

#### **Family Voting Celebration**

Saturday, October 29, 10 am-noon Main Library, 300 N. Roxboro St.

#### **Kids Voting**

October 24-November 8 Schools, Precincts, & online at *kidsvotingdurhamnc.org* 

#### **November 8, Election Day**

Kids Voting at select precincts

### President & Vice President

"I do solemnly swear that I will faithfully execute the Office of President of the United States, and will to the best of my ability, preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States." Each President since 1789 has taken the Oath of Office before beginning their commitment. The President of the United States is the head of the United States government as well as the Commander in Chief of the Army and Navy.

#### **Qualifications and Term of Office**

A presidential candidate must be at least 35 years of age, must be born a citizen of the United States, and a resident within the United States for the last fourteen years. Individuals can serve only two terms, which are four years each, as President since the 22nd Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was passed. The President and Vice president of the United States are elected by the Electoral College. Each U.S. State has a number of electoral college votes.

#### Responsibilities

The President is responsible for carrying out laws written by the Congress. The President has the power to veto or reject a proposal made by the Congress, and the power to excuse individuals from federal cases. The President also appoints federal commissions, which can include judges and ambassadors.

#### **FURTHER RESOURCES:**

whitehouse.gov

#### **Presidential Candidates**



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### **US Senate**

Two senators are elected from each state, regardless of state population, guaranteeing each state equal representation. Senators are elected for six-year terms. Like the House of Representatives, the Senate participates in all aspects of developing, drafting and passing national law and legislation. The Senate alone has the authority to conduct impeachment hearings, approve Presidential candidates for the cabinet and judiciary, and approve treaties.



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# **US House of Representatives**

#### **Qualifications and Term of Office for House of Representatives**

Representatives must be at least 25 years of age, a United States citizen for at least seven years, and a resident of the state he or she represents. House Representatives serve two-year terms.

#### Responsibilities

The House of Representatives makes and passes federal laws. The number of representatives per state is proportionate to population, meaning a state that has more people will have more representatives than a state that has fewer amount of people as in the case of California and Alaska. Though Alaska is bigger than California in size, California has a larger number of people residing in its state than Alaska, and so has more Representatives. There are 435 members of the U.S. House of Representatives. Among their responsibilities, Representatives serve on committees and propose bills to be voted in Congress.

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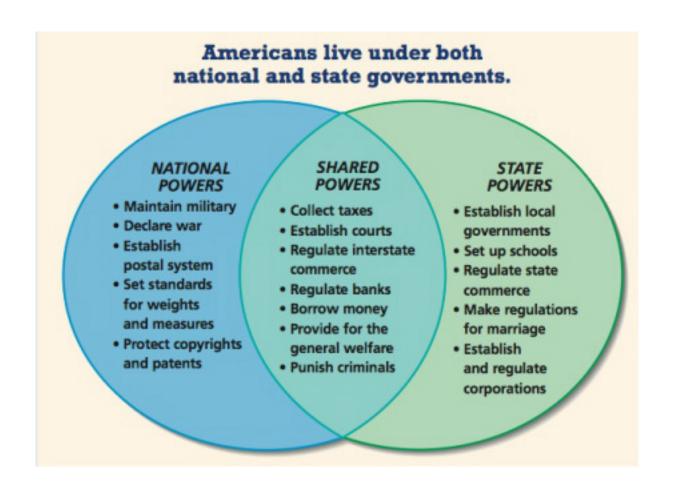


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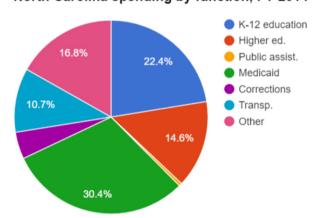


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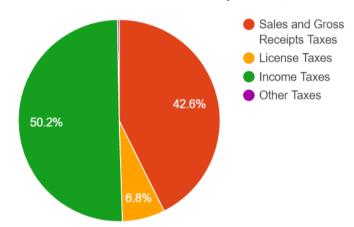
# **Understanding Your State** Government



#### North Carolina spending by function, FY 2014



#### North Carolina tax collections by source, FY 2014



## **NC State Government**

#### Governor

The executive branch executes the law, and it is headed by the Governor, who is directly elected by the people of the state.

#### **Qualifications and Term of Office**

A candidate for the office of governor must be at least 30 years of age, a citizen of the United States for at least five years, and a resident of North Carolina for at least two years. The governor is elected every four years, and is limited to two consecutive terms. If at any time the sitting governor dies, fails to qualify, resigns or is removed from the office, the lieutenant governor is the designated official who fills in the vacancy.

#### Responsibilities

The Governor oversees the State Agencies such as Education, Labor, Agriculture, and Insurance. The Governor ensures that all agencies acting effectively to carry out North Carolina policy and laws.

References: ballotpedia.org/Governor\_of\_North\_Carolina

#### **Senate and House of Representatives**

The General Assembly (state legislature) makes the laws of North Carolina. Like the U.S. Congress, the General Assembly has two houses: the N.C. Senate and the N.C. House of Representatives The House and Senate members serve two-year terms, and have no limits on the number of times they can be elected. The House of Representatives has 120 members, with each member representing an average of 79,462 residents. The Senate has 50 members, and each member represents an average of 190,710 residents.

#### **Qualifications and Term of Office for Senate**

The qualifications for Senator are found in the state Constitution: "Each Senator, at the time of his election, shall be not less than 25 years of age, shall be a qualified voter of the State, and shall have resided in the State as a citizen for two years and in the district for which he is chosen for one year immediately preceding his election."

#### Qualifications and Term of Office for House of Representatives

Article 2, Section 7 of the North Carolina Constitution states: "Each Representative, at the time of his election, shall be a qualified voter of the State, and shall have resided in the district for which he is chosen for one year immediately preceding his election." A candidate must be at least 21 years of age.

#### Responsibilities

North Carolina Senators and Representatives work together to create new laws and improve existing laws for North Carolina. The State Legislature can create laws for education and what schools are required to teach in NC; welfare such as health care, corporation and business operation and taxes in the state, marriage, and other areas that are exclusively the role of Federal or Local governments to legislate.

Each year the General Assembly creates and votes on the NC State Budget that determines how much N.C. will collect in sales and other taxes & revenues and how much N.C. will spend in areas such as such as education & teacher salaries, welfare and Medicaid including mental health care, and transportation.

### **NC Governor**

#### **Candidates for Governor**



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#### What are two specific reasons you want to serve as a NC House member?

I want to be a passionate and principled advocate for the issues I believe in, such as, providing a quality education for students to allow them to reach their fullest potential, to prepare them for jobs, and to compete effectively in colleges and universities. I also want to help determine the future direction of our state's priorities, and to help determine how we grow, develop, provide services for our residents, how we provide necessary infrastructure and how we protect our environment and natural resources.

We have noticed a lot of our teachers leaving for jobs in other states. What can the State Government do to keep experienced and qualified teachers in our schools?

We can provide competitive salaries and benefits, not just to our new teachers, but most importantly to experienced educators whose skills are difficult to replace. In addition, our teachers deserve the respect they have earned, as well as, opportunities for professional development and to advance their own education. It would be great to create a fund which would provide grants for Special Academic Innovation Projects which our educators would deem relevant to enriching the learning experience for students in our classrooms. I'm sure they have a lot of great ideas which we could benefit from implementing.

As a result of HB2, we've seen NC lose business and events, as well as possibly school funding. What would you do to get that business and funding back?

REPEAL HB2 AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. We also need to let those outside of NC know that we are an open, inclusive, and diverse state that respects all people regardless of their race, religion, sexual orientation, disabilities, gender, etc.

NC is one of two states that requires that 16- and 17-year-olds be tried as adults. What are your opinions about whether or not this policy should be changed and how? We should raise the age of juvenile jurisdiction immediately.

Two US cities have lowered the voting age for local elections to 16, and other states and cities are discussing it. What are your thoughts about lowering the voting age to

It sounds like a great idea, however, we need to also get our youth registered to vote as soon as they become eligible to vote.

### What is your favorite thing to do in Durham and why?

Meeting people I do not know, attending political and cultural events, and taking LOTS of photographs.



# **Barbara Howe (Lib)**

NC SENATE, DISTRICT 20

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#### What are two specific reasons you want to serve as a NC House member?

I really only have one reason that I want to serve in the NC Senate. I believe government has gotten too big, spends too much, and is too intrusive into all our lives and I want to reduce the size of government. We are saddling future generations with a bill they cannot afford.

We have noticed a lot of our teachers leaving for jobs in other states. What can the State Government do to keep experienced and qualified teachers in our schools?

First, I want parents to have more control over their children's education options through such things as vouchers or tuition tax credits. This will open up the market for more schools and more teaching opportunities. With more competition, teacher compensation should increase.

- As a result of HB2, we've seen NC lose business and events, as well as possibly school funding. What would you do to get that business and funding back?
  - I will work to repeal HB2. This is an excellent example of government being too intrusive into our lives.
- NC is one of two states that requires that 16- and 17-year-olds be tried as adults. What are your opinions about whether or not this policy should be changed and how?

My inclination is to believe that 16 and 17 probably should not be tried as adults. I certainly need to do more research on the issue, but as I have investigated the issue, I think the consensus is that putting youth into the adult system leads to higher recidivism. As a Libertarian, I also want to take a hard look at the war on drugs because this losing battle is a major component of much of the crime in this country.

Two US cities have lowered the voting age for local elections to 16, and other states and cities are discussing it. What are your thoughts about lowering the voting age to 16 in NC?

I remember when the voting age was lowered from 21 to 18 (I was 17 at the time.). I was guite thrilled. I would have no strong resistance to lowering the voting age.

#### What is your favorite thing to do in Durham and why?

I enjoy riding my bicycle on the American Tobacco Trail (lovely trail and good exercise) and I enjoy watching Duke basketball at Satisfaction (good food and fun entertainment).



# Mike Woodard (D)

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#### What are two specific reasons you want to serve as a NC House member?

1. To advance further educational opportunities for North Carolina residents.

2. To expand healthcare options for North Carolina residents.

We have noticed a lot of our teachers leaving for jobs in other states. What can the State Government do to keep experienced and qualified teachers in our schools?

First, establish a salary system that better compensates teachers and includes the restoration of career status and master's degree supplements. Second, commit more resources to education, such as textbooks, other learning materials, libraries, and the full range of school activities.

As a result of HB2, we've seen NC lose business and events, as well as possibly school funding. What would you do to get that business and funding back?

First, we must have a full repeal of HB2 to restore the business, sports, and entertainment communities in North Carolina as a welcoming place. Second, we must work with local governments to "resell" our cities, towns, and counties as good places to conduct their business.



NC is one of two states that requires that 16- and 17-year-olds be tried as adults. What are your opinions about whether or not this policy should be changed and how?

It needs to be changed. I will work on legislation to do this in the 2017 legislative session.



Two US cities have lowered the voting age for local elections to 16, and other states and cities are discussing it. What are your thoughts about lowering the voting age to

I'd like to learn more about it before committing fully. It is an intriguing idea, one that I would be open to considering. One voting innovation that I favor—and am currently drafting legislation for—is universal registration for young people as they turn 18.



#### What is your favorite thing to do in Durham and why?

My favorite day in Durham would include a hike along the Eno River, dinner in one of our great restaurants, and enjoying a performance at one of our theaters or performance spaces.



# T. Greg Doucette

NC SENATE, DISTRICT 22

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#### What are two specific reasons you want to serve as a NC House member?

Our courts are a dysfunctional mess, often acting as a "just us" system for the wealthy instead of a true justice system for everyone. There are very few attorneys in the General Assembly who have ever actually worked in our courts and understand what we deal with daily. I want to reform our justice system as your Senator.

I also want to provide a rational voice to policy debates. The politicians we have now fight like toddlers, while leaving important work undone. That needs to stop.

We have noticed a lot of our teachers leaving for jobs in other states. What can the State Government do to keep experienced and qualified teachers in our schools?

We have to start listening to actual teachers! Beginning in December when I filed for office, each month I meet with a teacher working group so they can educate me about the problems they face. Low teacher pay is a problem, but there are also a bunch of other changes that need to be made too.

For example, we should go back to the step-based pay scale instead of the weird "pay bands" we use now. And if someone has teaching experience somewhere else, they should be paid for that experience instead of being treated like a brand new teacher.

We have 13 other suggestions on our campaign website, all pieced together with the help of teachers themselves.



As a result of HB2, we've seen NC lose business and events, as well as possibly school funding. What would you do to get that business and funding back?

First, HB2 needs to be repealed. Entirely. Now.

But we need to take things a step further by asking voters to add a Home Rule Amendment to the state constitution. "Home Rule" means each city has certain powers that can't be taken away by the legislature. In North Carolina, we have what is called "quasi" Home Rule—it exists, but only in statutes that can be amended or repealed at any time.

So the General Assembly not only regulated Charlotte's bathrooms with HB2. but before that they had taken over Asheville's water system, eliminated Wilson's town internet, changed the election districts for the Greensboro City Council and the Wake County School Board, and on and on and on.

Having "true" Home Rule will limit the amount of damage unaccountable politicians in Raleigh can do to the rest of us with their silly policies.

#### NC is one of two states that requires that 16- and 17-year-olds be tried as adults. What are your opinions about whether or not this policy should be changed and how?

We have a 30-point plan for fixing our broken court system, and #1 on that list is Raising the Age so no one can be prosecuted as an adult before they turn 18. New York is the only other state that prosecutes 16-year-olds as adults, and even in their system nearly everyone gets moved from the adult system into the juvenile system. Here, that's not even an option—and those teenage prosecutions disproportionately target students of color, making it more difficult for them to get into college or find work.

We also want to expand Durham's Diversion Court to make it mandatory and statewide. Diversion Court applies to everyone aged 16-21 charged with their first non-violent offense, and lets them avoid having an arrest record or any other evidence of being involved with the court system if the Diversion Court program is completed.

Both of these changes are criminally easy (pun intended), changing just a few lines in our state statutes. But we need legislators who understand the system and are willing to fix things.



Two US cities have lowered the voting age for local elections to 16, and other states and cities are discussing it. What are your thoughts about lowering the voting age to 16 in NC?

Some of the most educated political conversations I've had since being a candidate happened during "Teacherfor-a-Day" programs where I was at Person High School in Roxboro and C.E. Jordan High School here in Durham. If 16-year-olds put the same thought and preparation into voting as the students in those classes, I have no problem with them voting too.



#### What is your favorite thing to do in Durham and why?

I love walking my beagle Samson along the American Tobacco Trail. He's the closest thing I have to a best friend, and it's a chance for both of us to go out and enjoy nature while still getting some exercise.

# **NC** House of Representatives

#### **NC House of Representatives District 30**



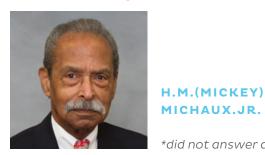
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#### What are two specific reasons you want to serve as a NC House member?

My main areas of focus have a legislator include a focus on brightening our children's futures by improving public education, by addressing the concerns of educators and school leaders as well as fighting for adequate funding at the state level. I have also fought for improving the democratic process by standing up for the rights of voters in the wake of an unprecedented restriction of voting rights in recent terms.

We have noticed a lot of our teachers leaving for jobs in other states. What can the State Government do to keep experienced and qualified teachers in our schools?

The state government must continue to do more to improve teacher pay and at least bring it to the national average—but this alone is not enough. We as a legislature must improve statewide funding for supplies and technology resources to ensure our kids and educators have access to every tool needed in and out of the classroom.

As a result of HB2, we've seen NC lose business and events, as well as possibly school funding. What would you do to get that business and funding back?

I voted against HB2 during the special session and have called repeatedly for a full repeal. The NCGA should move as a body to enact legislation that is fully inclusive and protective of all North Carolinians.

NC is one of two states that requires that 16- and 17-year-olds be tried as adults. What are your opinions about whether or not this policy should be changed and how?

While each criminal case contains specific facts and evidence, it is my belief that children should not generally be tried as adults in a court of law. Furthermore, pathways to rehabilitation and societal reintegration must be made to juvenile offenders, including avenues to public and higher education and as well as job training initiatives.

Two US cities have lowered the voting age for local elections to 16, and other states and cities are discussing it. What are your thoughts about lowering the voting age to 16 in NC?

As a Representative I have opposed legislation that restricts voting and imposes strict ID requirements on those 18 and older who currently vote, and I believe we must restore voting rights that have been curtailed in recent years. A conversation about lowering the voting age may have a role in that restoration.

#### What is your favorite thing to do in Durham and why?

My favorite thing to do in Durham is to spend time on the ground in my district, meeting with the citizens who make the city the remarkable place that it is. Hearing firsthand from voters in Durham is the best way that I, as a legislator, can be attuned to the issues important to them.



# **Graig Meyer (D)**

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#### What are two specific reasons you want to serve as a NC House member?

I want to serve in the NC House so that I can be a voice for people who are not always heard. I have spent my career working with people who need their government to work for them. People who need good schools, health care, and work opportunities. Many times those people are not able to influence their government. I want to help them have influence.

I have worked in North Carolina's public schools for about 18 years, and I believe that our schools need more support. I focus the largest part of my energy into trying to improve our schools, with a particular focus on making changes that close educational achievement gaps and improve the lowest-performing schools.

#### We have noticed a lot of our teachers leaving for jobs in other states. What can the State Government do to keep experienced and qualified teachers in our schools?

We must recruit, retain, and respect teachers. The easiest thing we can do to keep teachers is to raise their pay. Beyond that, respect goes a long way. We need to let teachers have more impact on our educational policies and practices. We need to let them do their jobs without too much burden from testing and paperwork.

As a result of HB2, we've seen NC lose business and events, as well as possibly school funding. What would you do to get that business and funding back?

HB2 has made North Carolina look really bad. The only way to change that is to do some things that look good. Where HB2 took away discrimination protections, we could replace it with statewide nondiscrimination protections that show that we value all people. The state could have our economic development offices design specific campaigns to highlight the opportunities for businesses and events to take advantage of our diverse, welcoming communities.

NC is one of two states that requires that 16- and 17-year-olds be tried as adults. What are your opinions about whether or not this policy should be changed and how?

I do believe that we should raise the age of juvenile court jurisdiction to 18. I voted for a bill that would have done that in 2014. I hope we will try to do this during the 2017 legislative session. And I hope that we will also fund the juvenile justice system so that the 16 and 17 year olds who are in the system get the support they need to finish school and transition into college or a career.



Two US cities have lowered the voting age for local elections to 16, and other states and cities are discussing it. What are your thoughts about lowering the voting age to

That's an interesting idea. I had not heard that two cities had done that. I'd love to talk with some young people about this idea and consider it. I'm completely open to the idea.

#### What is your favorite thing to do in Durham and why?

Eat tacos. Because I love tacos and Durham has some great tacos.

# NC Attorney General, NC Commissioner of Agriculture, **NC Commissioner of Insurance**

#### **Attorney General**



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# **Durham County** Commissioners



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# 2016 DURHAM COUNTY

# EDUCATION BONDS



#### Main Library Renovation - \$44.3 million

Funding for the Durham County Main Library will support a 20,000 square foot expansion of library space and upgrades to all areas of the building. Only the existing structural system will remain and be modified to accommodate programmatic/design changes. All other large systems within the building will be removed and completely replaced. In addition, the majority of the building envelope will be removed and replaced to increase energy efficiency, daylighting/views, and overall building appearance. A more functional parking layout will also be created, while other site elements will include secure, enclosed parking for the library's Bookmobiles, a new entry plaza, site circulation, and other usable outdoor areas. The building entry sequence will be reconfigured to eliminate the existing multi-level dual entry and consolidate to a new singular entry point.



#### Durham Technical Community College - \$20 million

Funding will support a 45,000 to 60,000 square foot expansion of the Newton Technology Center to provide space for additional classrooms, to expand the Automotive Systems and Construction trades programs, as well as relocating, consolidating and expanding space for Industrial systems, Architectural Technology, Computer-Aided Machining, and other industrial and engineering technology programs. Funds will also support creation of additional surface parking and the relocation of the college's Facilities Service operations, including shipping, receiving, warehousing and storage, and general work space for Facilities Services personnel.



#### Durham Public Schools System - \$90 million

Funds will largely support upgrades to existing facilities focused on efficiency and modernization. These include safety and security measures, site and building infrastructure such as roofing, HVAC enhancements, lighting upgrades, paving and more across a broad range of elementary, middle and high schools within the Durham Public School system. Funds will also support the replacement of Northern High School on the current site and a major renovation of Eno Valley Elementary.



#### Museum of Life and Science - \$14.1 million

Funding will support the Museum's growing number of family and school visitors, now over 500,000 annually, with investments in improved access through new lobby and school group entrances, expanded floor space for exhibits, additional classrooms, and a parking deck. Funding will also support exhibit maintenance, upgrades, and sustainability across the 84-acre campus, indoors and outdoors, to provide learning experiences for children and their families and to grow the Museum's economic impact for Durham County.

**GENERAL ELECTION** TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2016

### **General Election Resources**

#### **DURHAM NEWS SOURCES**

Durham Herald Sun: heraldsun.com The Durham News (News & Observer): thedurhamnews.com Independent Weekly: indyweek.com

#### **VOTING & CANDIDATE INFORMATION**

Ballotpedia: ballotpedia.org/North\_Carolina

UNCTV: ncvoterguide.org

Project Vote Smart: votesmart.org (Info on NC & US Candidates)

NC Center for Voter Education: ncvotered.com

Democracy NC: democracy-nc.org

#### **GOVERNMENT SITES**

Durham Board of Elections: dconc.gov/government/departments-a-e/board-of-elections City of Durham: durhamnc.gov

#### YOUTH ORGANIZING AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

What Kids Can Do: whatkidscando.org Do Something: dosomething.org Way To Help: waystohelp.org Kids Voting: kidsvotingusa.org

# **About Kids Voting Durham**

Kids Voting Durham is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that helps young people understand and believe in the power they can have as active, well-informed citizens and future voters. Students learn about and experience democracy through a combination of classroom and other educational activities, an authentic voting experience, and community and family dialogue.

Kids Voting Durham is a project of the Durham County Cooperative Extension and an affiliate of Kids Voting North Carolina and Kids Voting USA.

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