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SALINAS MAYORAL VOTER GUIDE 2026

QUESTIONNAIRE ANSWER KEY: SUPPORT = S OPPOSE = O NO RESPONSE (TO QUESTION)= NR DID NOT RETURN (THE SURVEY) = DNR				
Each candidate was asked to respond to our questionnaire regarding various issues. Although candidates may not face these issues in the office they are now running for, their answers allow voters to understand their views on the issues better.	DENNIS DONOHUE	HEZEKIAH GONZALEZ	DANIEL MUNOZ	PETER SZALAI
DO YOU SUPPORT OR OPPOSE EACH OF THE FOLLOWING?				
Requiring voters to show a government-issued photo identification before casting a ballot.	DNR	NR	DNR	S
Permitting recreational marijuana dispensaries to operate within city limits.	DNR	S	DNR	S
Cutting spending instead of increasing taxes to address a budget deficit.	DNR	S	DNR	S
An individual's right under the 2nd Amendments to own firearms.	DNR	S	DNR	S
The definition of human life as the beginning of conception.	DNR	NR	DNR	O
The 2024 CA Constitutional Amendment passed by voters to amend the state constitution to establish marriage as a fundamental right regardless of sex.	DNR	S	DNR	S
The tradition of allowing invocations (prayers) at the beginning of city council meetings.	DNR	S	DNR	O
The United States Constitution is the supreme law of the land?	DNR	NR	DNR	S

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DO YOU SUPPORT OR OPPOSE EACH OF THE FOLLOWING?							
Requiring voters to show a government-issued photo identification before casting a ballot.	S	DNR	DNR	O	DNR	DNR	DNR
Permitting recreational marijuana dispensaries to operate within city limits.	S	DNR	DNR	S	DNR	DNR	DNR
Cutting spending instead of increasing taxes to address a budget deficit.	S	DNR	DNR	S	DNR	DNR	DNR
An individual's right under the 2nd Amendments to own firearms.	S	DNR	DNR	S	DNR	DNR	DNR
The definition of human life as the beginning of conception.	S	DNR	DNR	O	DNR	DNR	DNR
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The tradition of allowing invocations (prayers) at the beginning of city council meetings.	S	DNR	DNR	O	DNR	DNR	DNR
The United States Constitution is the supreme law of the land?	S	DNR	DNR	S	DNR	DNR	DNR

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SALINAS UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
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Each candidate was asked to respond to our questionnaire regarding various issues. Although candidates may not face these issues in the office they are now running for, their answers allow voters to understand their views on the issues better.	Natalia Carrillo (Area 3)	Brenda Contreras (Area 3)	Merissa Dacpano (Area 7)	Elizabeth Lopez (Area 7	Andrew Rausch (Area 7)	Sara Young (Area 7)
DO YOU SUPPORT OR OPPOSE EACH OF THE FOLLOWING?						
1. Removing books and materials that contain pervasive vulgarity or explicit sexual content from school libraries?	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	O	DNR
2. Allowing students to access restrooms, locker rooms, and showers based on gender identity or expression instead of biological sex?	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	S	DNR
3. Allowing biological boys to participate in girls' sports teams?	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	NR	DNR
4. Requiring that parents be notified when their minor child uses school-based healthcare facilities or services?	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	O	DNR
5. Allowing education funds to follow a student based on the parents' choice of education for their child?	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	O	DNR
6. Requiring a parental opt-in for student surveys and questionnaires in schools?	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	O	DNR
7. The right of a parent to be promptly notified by the school if their child requests or engages in a social gender transition such as a change- of name, pronouns, or facility use while at school?	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	O	DNR
8. California's elimination of the "Religious Exemption" from vaccine requirements for Students??	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	S	DNR
9. The tradition of allowing invocations (prayers) at the beginning of school board meetings.	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	S	DNR
10. The United States Constitution is the supreme law of the land?	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	S	DNR

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ALISAL SCHOOL DISTRICT VOTER GUIDE 2026

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DO YOU SUPPORT OR OPPOSE EACH OF THE FOLLOWING?							
1. Removing books and materials that contain pervasive vulgarity or explicit sexual content from school libraries?	S	S	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	S
2. Allowing students to access restrooms, locker rooms, and showers based on gender identity or expression instead of biological sex?	NR	S	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	O
3. Allowing biological boys to participate in girls' sports teams?	NR	S	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	O
4. Requiring that parents be notified when their minor child uses school-based healthcare facilities or services?	S	S	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	S
5. Allowing education funds to follow a student based on the parents' choice of education for their child?	NR	S	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	S
6. Requiring a parental opt-in for student surveys and questionnaires in schools?	S	S	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	S
7. The right of a parent to be promptly notified by the school if their child requests or engages in a social gender transition such as a change- of name, pronouns, or facility use while at school?	S	S	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	S
8. California's elimination of the "Religious Exemption" from vaccine requirements for Students??	O	O	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	O
9. The tradition of allowing invocations (prayers) at the beginning of school board meetings.	S	O	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	O
10. The United States Constitution is the supreme law of the country?	S	S	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	S

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