



November 2024 General Election Endorsements

August 7, 2024

Dear Candidate,

The San Francisco Democratic Party invites you to seek our endorsement. Our Party champions the election of qualified local candidates who will help to advance our shared Democratic values. We only endorse registered Democrats, except in the case of a nonpartisan race in which NO registered Democrat has qualified for the ballot.

We support candidates who express agreement with and have demonstrated support for our core issues and priorities as stated in the [California Democratic Party Platform](#).

To qualify for an endorsement interview, all candidates must indicate that they support the principles of our Party platform, complete the Candidate Endorsement Questionnaire, and return it to info@sfdemocrats.org by August 14, 2024, before 5:00 pm.

Our Endorsement Committee will hold interviews via Zoom on August 17 for candidates in all remaining local offices. More detailed information will be provided prior to this meeting. Interviews will be open to all members of the San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee (SF DCCC) and the general public. Questionnaires will be shared with SF DCCC members and will be posted to the San Francisco Democratic Party website; all personal contact information will be redacted.

The SF DCCC will deliberate and vote to endorse candidates on Wednesday, August 28, 2024, at 6:30 pm. This meeting will be conducted in person but a recording of the meeting will be published on our Facebook page. Public comment will be taken at the beginning of the meeting and is limited to one hour; written public comment will be accepted and is preferred. Please refer to our [bylaws](#) for more.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any questions. We look forward to learning more about your candidacy and your campaign.

Respectfully,

Carrie Barnes and Michela Alioto-Pier
Co-Chairs, Endorsement Committee
San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee

San Francisco Democratic Party Endorsement Agreement

Date: _____

I, _____, seeking the office of _____, have reviewed, understand, and will comply by the San Francisco Democratic Party's endorsement process as outlined in our Bylaws ([Article VI](#)) and Policies & Procedures manual ([Article VII](#)).

I agree that I will not use the name or logo of the San Francisco Democratic Party or the San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee until I have secured an endorsement from the San Francisco Democratic Party for the race for which I was endorsed.

If I am seeking an office that utilizes Ranked Choice Voting, I shall accurately reflect the San Francisco Democratic Party's ranked endorsement.

I will not provide the San Francisco Democratic Party name or logo to third parties without the written permission of the San Francisco Democratic Party Executive Director.

I understand that any violation of these agreements is subject to actions from the San Francisco Democratic Party and can result in a revocation of an endorsement.

(signature)

2024 Candidate Questionnaire

GENERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY QUESTIONS

1. Will you be voting for the Democratic presidential nominee in the 2024 election?
2. Have you held any elected, or appointed positions? If so, what and when did you serve?
3. Have you ever voted for or endorsed a non-Democrat? If yes, who? When?
4. Please list the organizations and elected officials who have endorsed you. Please feel free to link to your campaign endorsement page.
5. What do you believe are the most important issues on the CA Democratic Platform? Please list in order of importance.
6. What actions have you taken to increase voter registration and participation?

SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

(No more than 400 words per response. Answers that exceed 400 words will not be considered.
Please feel free to use bullet points.)

1. Why do you want to be a member of the San Francisco Board of Education, what do you believe are its most important and significant issues, and how will you go about effectuating change?
2. The vision of the San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) is that "all SFUSD students will graduate as independent thinkers with a sense of agency who have attained academic and creative skills to lead productive lives and contribute to our community." What does this vision mean to you and as a member of SFUSD what would you prioritize to implement this vision?
3. What are your feelings on the school lottery system, neighborhood schools, and school choice?
4. On May 3, 2024, SFUSD received notification from the California Department of Education (CDE) that they had revised the certification of SFUSD's March budget report from "qualified" to "negative," indicating the CDE's lack of faith in SFUSD to meet its financial obligations over the next 2 years. With this in mind, what are your thoughts on SFUSD's budget, and what would be your first steps to improve SFUSD's financial stability and long-term sustainability?
5. Given the rise in hate crimes and incidents of firearms on school campuses, what are your thoughts on renewing the MOU between SFPD and SFUSD to have school resource officers on campus?