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Catawba County, NC Questionnaire - One Page Quick Reference Guide

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1 Do you believe life begins at conception and deserves legal protection?	Did not respond	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Did not respond	Did not respond
2 Who has the ultimate responsibility for the education of children in public schools?	Did not respond	Parents	Teachers	Parents	Parents	Parents	Parents	Parents	Parents	Parents	Did not respond	Did not respond
3 Should sexually explicit books be removed from school libraries and classrooms?	Did not respond	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Did not respond	Did not respond
4 Do you support any Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) programs, policies, or statements?	Did not respond	Do not support	Do not support	Do not support	Do not support	Do not support	Do not support	Do not support	Do not support	Do not support	Did not respond	Did not respond
5 Should all classroom educational materials and lesson plans be publicly available to parents?	Did not respond	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Did not respond	Did not respond
6 Should biological males be allowed to compete in girls' sports or use girls' locker rooms?	Did not respond	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Did not respond	Did not respond
7 Should schools emphasize civics, patriotism, and America's founding principles?	Did not respond	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Did not respond	Did not respond
8 Do you support the Parents' Bill of Rights (SB49)?	Did not respond	Support	Support	Support	Support	Support	Support	Support	Support	Support	Did not respond	Did not respond
9 Should teachers and administrators be held accountable to community standards?	Did not respond	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Did not respond	Did not respond
10 Do you support school choice options (charter, private, homeschool)?	Did not respond	Support	Support	Support	Support	Support	Support	Support	Support	Support	Did not respond	Did not respond

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1 Have you ever been convicted of a felony or penalized for sexual misconduct?	Did not respond	No	Did not respond	Did not respond	Did not respond	No	Did not respond	Did not respond	Did not respond	No
2 Do you believe life begins at conception and deserves legal protection?	Did not respond	Yes	Did not respond	Did not respond	Did not respond	Yes	Did not respond	Did not respond	Did not respond	Yes
3 Who has the ultimate responsibility for the education of children in public schools?	Did not respond	Parents	Did not respond	Did not respond	Did not respond	Parents	Did not respond	Did not respond	Did not respond	School Boards
4 Do you agree that excessive regulations and taxes hinder small business growth and startups?	Did not respond	Agree	Did not respond	Did not respond	Did not respond	Agree	Did not respond	Did not respond	Did not respond	Agree
5 Do you support the county enforcing public nuisance laws and cooperating with federal authorities to address illegal activity, including drug use, trespassing, and unlawful immigration?	Did not respond	Support	Did not respond	Did not respond	Did not respond	Support	Did not respond	Did not respond	Did not respond	Refuse to answer
6 Should county funds support DEI training, programs, statements, or policies?	Did not respond	No	Did not respond	Did not respond	Did not respond	No	Did not respond	Did not respond	Did not respond	Refuse to answer
7 Would you oppose any new restrictions on the Second Amendment?	Did not respond	Yes	Did not respond	Did not respond	Did not respond	No	Did not respond	Did not respond	Did not respond	Yes
8 Should the Ten Commandments or "In God We Trust" be displayed in county courthouses?	Did not respond	Yes	Did not respond	Did not respond	Did not respond	Yes	Did not respond	Did not respond	Did not respond	Yes
9 Will you defend churches and ministries from government overreach or discrimination?	Did not respond	Yes	Did not respond	Did not respond	Did not respond	Yes	Did not respond	Did not respond	Did not respond	Yes
10 How would you approach county funding for local emergency services (law enforcement, fire, and EMS)?	Did not respond	Increase	Did not respond	Did not respond	Did not respond	Keep the Same	Did not respond	Did not respond	Did not respond	Increase

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