

POLITICAL CAMPAIGN POLICY

1. In accordance with its Articles of Incorporation, the Illinois Family Institute shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.
2. The Illinois Family Institute shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).
3. The Illinois Family Institute shall not endorse any candidate for public office. The term “candidate for public office” is defined as an individual who offers himself, or is proposed by a campaign committee as a contestant for an elective public office, whether such office be national, State or local. A person who has not offered himself, or is not proposed by a campaign committee, as a contestant for an elective public office, whether such office be national, State or local is not covered by this policy. This policy therefore does not prohibit the Illinois Family Institute from endorsing or opposing a person who is not a candidate for public office.
4. The Illinois Family Institute may educate about the positions or the voting records of candidates and may distribute voter guides in compliance with application law. Any voter guide must be objective, cover a broad range of positions of the candidates, and must not endorse or oppose candidates.

5. The Illinois Family Institute may, in accordance with its biblical mandate and protected by the First Amendment, make or publish statements consistent with its religious mission and doctrine on religious, social, moral or other issues, so long as the Illinois Family Institute does not endorse or oppose candidates for public office.
6. The Illinois Family Institute may encourage people to register to vote and may conduct voter registration drives, so long as said activities are nonpartisan.
7. The Illinois Family Institute may conduct or host a nonpartisan candidate forum, where all the candidates are invited to attend and each one is given equal opportunity to state their views and/or respond to questions regarding their positions.
8. The employee staff may endorse or oppose candidates for public office in their personal capacities and may participate in political campaigns, so long as their statements and actions are not made or performed on behalf of the Illinois Family Institute.
9. The Illinois Family Institute shall not donate corporate funds to a candidate's campaign or engage in political fund-raising on behalf of a candidate for public office. ■

