



2022 Maryland Candidate Survey

State Legislative District 10

The Maryland Council for American Private Education (CAPE) advocates for the interests of the 125,000-plus nonpublic students in Maryland and their families. We invited all gubernatorial and General Assembly candidates to respond to a brief candidate survey (“support” or “oppose”), and provide a brief comment on each answer, on critical issues for non-public schools in Maryland. All of the survey responses and election links are online at www.mdnonpubs.org.

Election Day is Nov. 8 (early voting Oct. 27-Nov. 3)

NOTE: Some districts have new boundaries due to redistricting

Response key: **S:** agree; **O:** disagree; **-** : no response | **D:** Democrat | **R:** Republican
Full questions and written comments follow the chart below

District	Office	Party	Candidate	Non-public School Aid	Public \$ are Only for Pub Schools	Education Scholarships	BOOST	Capital Dollars
	Governor	R	Dan Cox	S	O	S	S	S
		D	Wes Moore	Did not submit a response				

10	Senator	D	Ben Brooks	-	-	-	S	-
10	Senator	R	William Newton	Did not submit a response				
10	Delegate	D	Adrienne A. Jones	Did not submit a response				
10	Delegate	D	N. Scott Phillips					
10	Delegate	D	Jennifer White					
10	Delegate	R	Patricia R. Fallon	S	O	S	S	S
10	Delegate	R	Jordan Porompyae	S	O	S	S	S

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2022 Candidate Questions | (Open-ended responses on following pages)

1. Aid to Nonpublic Schools

Generally speaking, do you support or oppose state dollars going to nonprofit nonpublic schools to support educating the children who attend?

2. “Public Dollars”

Do you support or oppose the statement “Public dollars are only for public schools”?

3. Education Opportunity Scholarships

Do you support or oppose the statement “Parents should have the right to utilize the state dollars allocated for their child’s education at whatever school they choose for them, whether public, private or charter”?

4. BOOST Scholarship Program

Do you support or oppose funding for Maryland’s existing BOOST Scholarship Program, which provides scholarships to low-income students to be used to attend nonpublic schools, at its current levels for new students?

5. Capital Dollars for Private Schools

Do you support or oppose state support for infrastructure or security upgrades and maintenance being allocated to nonpublic schools in the state budget?

Open-ended Candidate Answers

District 10 State Senator Candidates

Ben Brooks (D)

Q1: Aid to nonpublic schools: Quality education for every student will always be one of my highest concerns in the legislature. Securing funding that brings high-need students to private schools is only one avenue to accomplish that goal. Balancing state funding for various initiatives helps to increase educational opportunities of our children.

Q2: Public dollars: I think it is important to allow for the diversity of education and support all means necessary to allocate and allow our children to secure quality education.

Q3: Educational scholarships: Having sent my own children to Catholic school, I understand and respect the personal decision of a parent when it comes to options in educating their children. With that said, that choice comes with a level of responsibility in securing the funds necessary to support that decision.

Q4: BOOST: I have supported funding in the Maryland State budget allocated for the BOOST program. I think it is important to strike a balance between such funding and the funding of public schools to confirm we are allocating resources to have the largest impact on the most children possible.

Q5: Capital dollars: Having witnessed some of the most devastating attacks on our schools over the past several weeks, it is important that all of our children feel safe in an educational environment. A safe and prosperous setting lends to our students' growth and success.

District 10 State Delegate Candidates

Patricia R. Fallon (R)

Q1: In many districts we are spending up to \$21,000 per student in public education where high percentages of students are not performing in reading or math up to grade level. I believe the money allocated should follow the student to the parental school of their choice. The non-public schools should not be forced to teach mandated programs such as CRT and unacceptable sex education in order to receive the money.

Q5: The private schools should manage facility like a business and be responsible for the facilities. The money should follow the student to where the parents choose to educate their children. However I do support funding resource officers in the schools.

Gubernatorial Candidates

Dan Cox (R)

Q1: Nonpublic school aid: I support the dollars following the children by parental choice.

Q4: BOOST: And I would expand this program.