



Saturday, September 5, 2026

Union County Pride, Inc
Union County Pride, Inc - Political Candidate Questionnaire

Dear Candidate:

On behalf of Union County Pride, Inc, I write respectfully to request that you respond to the questions submitted below regarding your agenda for the LGBTQ+ kids and their families living in Union County. Union County Pride Inc. is the foremost organization working to promote a thriving LGBTQ community in Union County, North Carolina.

The questions and answers, if received in time, will be published verbatim at www.unioncountypride.org on **September 15**. To meet our publication deadline, your responses must be received by no later than **September 5** If you do not respond, the publication will state *Did Not Respond*.

Please submit your responses through the online survey. As a tax-exempt organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, we cannot support or oppose any candidate for public office. We hope that you will take this opportunity to communicate your views on how you as a political candidate will deal with policy and investments regarding LGBTQ+ kids and their families.

Sincerely,

Union County Pride, Inc

Candidate Name	Christine Winward
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Party Affiliation:	Democrat
Level of Government	State
Political Position	State senate seat 35

What would you do for LGBTQ+ people in your political area?

I am an equitable leader who leads with focusing on individuality. My ultimate goal is acceptance and integration of all people to develop a more cohesive environment.

What would you do to for LGBTQ students?

I would want to focus on LGBTQ+ Students being more accepted by their peers. Ultimately having them seen for their individual needs and feelings more safe in their community.

How would you vote on policies or laws regarding books in schools with LGBTQ+ characters?

I do not believe in book banning in any form.

Would you vote for a policy or law similar to the Florida Don't Say Gay Bill or NC HB 755 at the school, state, or other government level?

No

Please explain your answer.

I think that bill shows blatant disrespect to the first amendment.

Would you vote for a city, state, or state anti-discrimination ordinance or law that covers the protected classes including sexual orientation and gender identity (LGBTQ+) people?

Yes

Please explain your answer.

Believe that individual expression of their identity is important. Regardless of if I am a member of the LGBTQ+ community I don't think people should be prosecuted for their identity.

How would you vote if Marriage or Relationship Equality becomes a state or local issue?

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Please explain your answer.

I don't believe the state or any government has the right to tell two consenting adults who to love. If you are over 18 and the relationship is consensual people should be able to get married by the state.

Please explain your current and past actions towards the LGBTQ+ community.

I'm new to politics. My main actions towards the LGBTQ+ community have just been supporting individuals and vendors who support the community.

Please tell us anything else you would like the public to know about you and the LGBTQ+ community.

I'm a very open and accepting person. I really believe that we need a bridge to bring the different communities together and understand one another.

I plan to attend the Candidate Meet-up.

Yes