

Montgomery County Eagle Forum 2018 TX Party Platform Comparisons*

<u>Issue</u>	<u>Republican Party Platform</u>	<u>Democrat Party Platform</u>
Abortion	Abolish abortion; stop funding Planned Parenthood; require parental consent; reverse Roe v. Wade.	Supports right to free abortions on demand.
Immigration	Enforce immigration laws, no amnesty; build border wall.	Supports equal opportunities and freedom regardless of immigration status; opposes wall; public benefits for illegal aliens.
Government Spending	Reduce federal, state, local spending; adopt zero-based budgeting.	No comment, but supports numerous spending initiatives.
School Prayer	Supports school prayer.	Opposes entangling government with religion.
Homosexual Marriage	Opposes gay marriage.	Supports LGBTQ marriage.
Education	Rejects government intrusion in private, home schooling.	Supports more state oversight of homeschooling.
Religious Freedom	Supports religious freedom, including in businesses, schools, public places; opposes Sharia Law.	Opposes religious freedom in businesses, schools, public places.
Gambling	Opposes expansion of legalized gambling.	No position.
Israel	US Embassy in Jerusalem; opposes Palestinian state in historical borders of Israel; Israel has right to exist.	Supports Palestinian state in Israel.
Obamacare	Demands repeal.	Supports expansion, universal healthcare.
Bathroom Privacy	Bathrooms, showers for use only based on biological sex.	Demands no discrimination for gender expression.
Property Tax Reform	Abolish property tax; elect appraisal boards; make rollbacks easier.	Opposes cutting property taxes.
National Defense	Strong national defense.	Strong national defense.
Parental Rights	Parents absolute right to raise their children, make medical decisions for them.	No parental consent necessary for sensitive health care services including abortions.
Gun Rights	Supports constitutional carry; supports fewer restrictions on gun ownership.	Supports more gun regulations.

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