

Platform of the Kentucky Party

November 5, 2024

Article II. Foundational Principles

A. The KYP supports and upholds the rule of law.

1. The KYP recognizes the primacy of the Kentucky Constitution and the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.
2. The KYP shall remain within full compliance of all applicable laws and statutes: international, national, state, and local. Any action outside the law shall be null and void. Any extralegal decisions or activities shall be corrected immediately, regardless of effort or expense.

B. The KYP is nonviolent and is committed to nonviolence.

1. The KYP opposes the pursuit of political goals by military, assaultive or coercive means.
2. Ending Kentucky's participation in America's military empire is a core purpose of the KYP.
3. The KYP generally opposes military funding and arms exports on principle. The KYP supports diplomacy and diplomatic solutions throughout the world.

C. The KYP shall recruit and run candidates at all levels through the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

D. The KYP supports equality of opportunity for everyone in the Commonwealth.

1. The KYP defends the principle that all people are equal before the law.
2. KYP membership is open without discrimination to all eligible voters.
3. The KYP shall allow internal party participation and leadership by Kentuckians who are not eligible to vote, including youth (particularly those in state custody), those adjudged mentally incompetent, and convicted felon and non-citizen Kentuckians.
4. The KYP shall support leadership development and provide ways to remedy inequality of opportunity within the party.
5. The KYP shall provide information and education about how to run for office equally to any KYP member.

- E. The KYP will actively increase public participation at every level of government and work to ensure that public representatives are fully accountable to the people of the Commonwealth.
1. Neither the KYP nor any local chapter may contribute any money or in-kind resources to, endorse, or favor any KYP candidate in any primary election in which two or more KYP members are running for the same position, unless such contributions are given equally to all of the KYP members running. See KRS 118.105(1). Inviting all of the candidates to one or more debates, holding debates, and enabling KYP members to use the KYP's domain name to host their campaign websites does not constitute a contribution or prohibited favoritism.
- F. The KYP shall maintain open records to the greatest extent possible.
1. As technology changes, the KYP shall use it to grow more open, never less.
 2. The names, addresses, email addresses and phone numbers of all KYP state and local EC members shall be publicized on the KYP's website and elsewhere.
 3. All information and creative work produced by and for the KYP is released into the public domain to the fullest extent possible. All official communications from the KYP shall be fully released into the public domain immediately. No art or creative product may be used by the KYP if it has not been released into the public domain. Any creator may claim attribution for their portion of any work, and the KYP shall provide attribution to the greatest degree practical. Under no circumstances will the KYP, any KYP executive committee, or any individual operating in their stead act to prevent the publication or creative re-use of any product of the KYP, or to take action against any individual or organization after having republished their work. The only exception to this shall be information directly pursuant to legislation or legal actions that must be kept confidential by law, and this information shall be kept confidential no longer than legally necessary.
 4. The KYP shall not keep private donor lists.