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Dear MSTA Member,

The MSTA Legislative Impact Committee was created to identify and support pro-education candidates in the Missouri Legislature. Fall is a busy time for teachers, families and communities. Information on local elections can sometimes get lost in the spotlight of national politics. Local elections are always important and this election cycle the committee worked hard evaluating incumbent voting records, reading candidate surveys and conducting local interviews to find out where candidates really stand on issues important to education.

Enclosed you will also find language for all ballot initiatives, as well as candidates for Congress and statewide office. MSTA has taken no position on the ballot initiatives, and endorsements are not made for races other than the Missouri Legislature, this information is included so that you as a voter can make an informed decision.

All candidates listed in the biographical section are worthy of your vote. We encourage you to contact candidates in your area and engage and support their campaigns.

This publication was created to provide you with a simple guide to information on education-friendly candidates in your area. Please share this information with others who support education and encourage them to vote on election day.

MSTA is dedicated to continue to identify, support, and recruit qualified and dedicated candidates for public office that support MSTA's mission.

If you have any questions, or would like to become more involved, please feel free to contact the MSTA Governmental Relations Department at (800) 392-0532.

And don't forget to vote on November 6th.



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This guide is a comprehensive listing of all candidates as of Oct. 5, 2018. Sources for the biographical information include various publications and background information provided by the candidates. The Missouri State Teachers Association is not responsible for the accuracy of information provided by the candidates or for information gathered from other published sources.

2018 MSTA general election endorsements

Senate

12 Dan Hageman
16 Ryan Dillon
22 Robert Butler
24 Jill Schupp
28 Sandy Crawford

House of Representatives

1	Allen Andrews	77	Steve Roberts
3	Danny Busick	80	Peter Merideth
7	Rusty Black	83	Gina Mitten
8	Jim Neely	88	Tracy McCreery
11	Brenda Shields	90	Deb Lavender
14	Kevin Corlew	91	Sarah Unsicker
15	Jon Carpenter	92	Doug Beck
17	Mark Ellebracht	94	Jean Pretto
18	Wes Rogers	95	Mike Walter
19	Ingrid Burnett	96	Erica Hoffman
20	Bill Kidd	97	Mike Revis
24	Judy Morgan	114	Becky Ruth
32	Jeff Coleman	115	Elaine Gannon
33	Donna Pfautsch	116	Dale Wright
34	Jim Ripley	117	Mike Henderson
35	Keri Ingle	119	Nate Tate
39	Peggy McGaugh	126	Patricia Pike
40	Jim Hansen	127	Ann Kelley
42	Jeff Porter	129	Jeff Knight
45	Kip Kendrick	130	Jeff Messenger
46	Martha Stevens	132	Crystal Quade
50	Michela Skelton	136	Craig Fishel
52	Bradley Pollitt	137	John Black
53	Connie Simmons	138	Brad Hudson
54	Dan Houx	140	Lynn Morris
56	Jack Bondon	144	Chris Dinkins
57	Rodger Reedy	145	Rick Francis
58	David Wood	147	Kathy Swan
59	Linda Greeson	151	Herman Morse
65	Bill Otto	155	Karla Eslinger
66	Tommie Pierson Jr.	158	Scott Fitzpatrick
69	Gretchen Bangert	161	Lane Roberts
70	Paula Brown		
71	LaDonna Appelbaum		
72	Doug Clemens		

How MSTA's endorsement process works

In order to develop relationships in the Missouri General Assembly and to ensure that pro-education candidates are elected, in 2000 MSTA developed a committee to evaluate and recommend candidates for the Missouri House and Senate.

The MSTA Education Policy Committee has identified a list of issues that each candidate for office is questioned about and evaluated on. These issues consist of the legislative platform established at the annual MSTA Assembly of Delegates meeting. The only issues that will be taken into consideration when evaluating candidates will be these specific education issues. A candidate's political party is not a criterion.

Incumbents are evaluated by examining their voting record in office. Those candidates not currently in office are sent a questionnaire. To be considered for an endorsement, all candidates must have either a voting record (if they've served in the legislature) or submit a completed survey (if they have not served in the legislature). Completed questionnaires and incumbent evaluations are forwarded to the MSTA Impact Committee member in each candidate's area. In turn, each Impact Committee member recruits MSTA members for his or her region to assist in evaluating candidates and to conduct follow-up interviews.

The statewide Impact Committee consists of one member from each MSTA region. They are appointed by the MSTA Board of Directors. The committee met in June and September 2018 to decide which candidates to support for the primary and general elections.

The Legislative Impact Committee is not required to choose a candidate to support in each legislative district, and it may make no recommendation in some races. In addition, the committee may offer differing levels of support. It may make an endorsement, contribute to a candidate's campaign, assist the candidate by supplying campaign volunteers or any combination of the three.

Political party Web sites

Missouri Democratic Party
<http://missouridemocrats.org/>

Missouri Republican Party
<https://missouri.gop/>

Missouri Libertarian Party
<http://lpmo.org/>

Green Party of Missouri
<http://greenpartymo.org/>

The Legislative Impact Committee realizes that not all MSTA members will support the candidates it recommends. It is important to become active politically. You can make a difference by establishing an ongoing relationship with candidates in your district. By working together, we can have an impact on education legislation.

This year, candidates were asked to state their views on the following issues:

- Vouchers, tuition tax credits, and tuition tax deductions
- open enrollment
- mandatory use of standardized test scores when evaluating educators
- Career Ladder
- teacher salaries based on education level and years of experience
- due process for termination of tenured teachers
- allowing practicing educators to serve on the State Board of Education
- tax cuts that would result in reduced state revenue available for schools
- ensuring a quality education for students in struggling schools
- public sector collective bargaining for teachers. Specifically: strikes, exclusive representation and binding arbitration

For continuing election news and results, visit the MSTA election Web site.

msta.org/advocacy/elections

Federal candidates

Federal candidates

U.S. Senator

Josh Hawley	REP	joshhawley.com
Claire McCaskill	DEM	clairemccaskill.com
Japheth Campbell	LIB	campbell4liberty.com
Jo Crain	GRN	
Craig O'Dear	IND	craigodear.com

U.S. Representative - District 1

Robert Vroman	REP	
Lacy Clay	DEM	lacyclay.org
Robb E. Cunningham	LIB	

U.S. Representative - District 2

Ann Wagner	REP	annwagner.com
Cort VanOstran	DEM	cortforcongress.com
Larry A. Kirk	LIB	
David Justus Arnold	GRN	electdavidarnold.weebly.com

U.S. Representative - District 3

Blaine Luetkemeyer	REP	blaineforcongress.com
Katy Geppert	DEM	katygeppertforcongress.com
Donald V. Stolle	LIB	

U.S. Representative - District 4

Vicky Hartzler	REP	vickyhartzler.com
Renee Hoagenson	DEM	reenehoagenson.com
Mark Bliss	LIB	bliss4congress.com

U.S. Representative - District 5

Jacob Turk	REP	turkforcongress.com
Emanuel Cleaver II	DEM	cleaverforcongress.com
Alexander Howell	LIB	alexanderhowell.com
Maurice Copeland	GRN	
E.C. Fredland	CST	

U.S. Representative - District 6

Sam Graves	REP	gravesforcongress.com
Henry Robert Martin	DEM	henrymartinforcongress.com
Dan Hogan	LIB	hogan4congress.org

U.S. Representative - District 7

Billy Long	REP	billylongforcongress.com
Jamie Daniel Schoolcraft	DEM	electschoolcraft.com
Benjamin T. Brixey	LIB	benbrixey.com

U.S. Representative - District 8

Jason Smith	REP	electjasonsmith.com
Kathy Ellis	DEM	ellisformissouri.com
Jonathan Shell	LIB	shell4congress.com

Statewide candidates

Auditor

Saundra McDowell	REP	saundramcdowellformissouri.com
Nicole Galloway	DEM	nicolegalloway.com
Jacob Luetkemeyer	CST	luetkemeyerforauditor.com
Sean O'Toole	LIB	
Don Fitz	GRN	

This list is provided for informational purposes. MSTA takes no position on federal and statewide races.

Party code Definitions:

CST=Constitution	DEM=Democratic	GRN=Green
LIB=Libertarian	IND=Independent	REP=Republican

Missouri Senate Candidates

The candidates whose names are in **bold** are endorsed by MSTA. Biographical information appears above and on the following page.

DISTRICT 2	DISTRICT 20
REP Bob Onder	REP Eric W. Burlison
DEM Patrice Billings	DEM Jim Billedo
DISTRICT 4	DISTRICT 22
REP Robert J. Crump	REP Paul Wieland
DEM Karla May	DEM Robert Butler
	LIB Richie Camden
DISTRICT 6	DISTRICT 24
REP Mike Bernskoetter	REP Gregory B. Powers
DEM Nicole Thompson	DEM Jill Schupp
LIB Steven Wilson	LIB Jim Higgins
DISTRICT 8	DISTRICT 26
REP Mike Cierpiot	REP Dave Schatz
DEM Hillary Shields	DEM John Kiehne
DISTRICT 10	DISTRICT 28
REP Jeanie Riddle	REP Sandy Crawford
DEM Ayanna Shivers	DEM Joe Poor
DISTRICT 12	DISTRICT 30
REP Dan Hegeman	REP Lincoln Hough
DEM Terry Richard	DEM Charlie Norr
DISTRICT 14	DISTRICT 32
DEM Brian Williams	REP Bill White
DISTRICT 16	DEM Carolyn McGowan
REP Justin Dan Brown	GRN Conon Gillis
DEM Ryan Dillon	
DISTRICT 18	DISTRICT 34
REP Cindy O'Laughlin	REP Tony Luetkemeyer
DEM Crystal Stephens	DEM Martin T. Rucker II

2018 ballot measures

Ballot The following ballot measures have been certified for the November 6, 2018 general election. Full ballot language is available at <https://www.sos.mo.gov/elections/petitions/2018BallotMeasures>

Constitutional Amendment 1

[Proposed by Initiative Petition]

Official Ballot Title:

Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to:

- change process and criteria for redrawing state legislative districts during reapportionment;
- change limits on campaign contributions that candidates for state legislature can accept from individuals or entities;
- establish a limit on gifts that state legislators, and their employees, can accept from paid lobbyists;
- prohibit state legislators, and their employees, from serving as paid lobbyists for a period of time;
- prohibit political fundraising by candidates for or members of the state legislature on State property; and
- require legislative records and proceedings to be open to the public?

State governmental entities estimate annual operating costs may increase by \$189,000. Local governmental entities expect no fiscal impact.

Fair Ballot Language:

A “yes” vote will amend the Missouri Constitution to change the process and criteria for redrawing state legislative district boundaries during reapportionment (redistricting). Currently, bipartisan house and senate commissions redraw boundaries and those maps are adopted if 70% of the commissioners approve the maps. This amendment has a state demographer chosen from a panel selected by the state auditor redraw the boundaries and submit those maps to the house and senate commissions. This amendment would then allow changes to the demographer’s maps only if 70% of the commissioners vote to make changes and do so within two months after receiving the maps from the state demographer. The amendment also reduces the limits on campaign contributions that candidates for state senator or state representative can accept from individuals or entities by \$100 per election for a senate candidate and \$500 for a house candidate. The amendment creates a \$5 limit on gifts that state legislators and their employees can accept from paid lobbyists or the lobbyists’ clients, and prohibits state legislators and their employees from serving as paid lobbyists for a period of two years after the end of their last legislative session. The amendment prohibits political fundraising by candidates for or members of the state legislature on State property. The amendment further requires all legislative records and proceedings to be subject to the state open meetings and records law (Missouri Sunshine Law).

A “no” vote will not amend the Missouri Constitution regarding redistricting, campaign contributions, lobbyist gifts, limits on lobbying after political service, fundraising locations, and legislative records and proceedings.

If passed, this measure will have no impact on taxes.

Constitutional Amendment 2

[Proposed by Initiative Petition]

Official Ballot Title:

Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to:

- allow the use of marijuana for medical purposes, and create regulations and licensing/certification procedures for marijuana and marijuana facilities;
- impose a 4 percent tax on the retail sale of marijuana; and
- use funds from these taxes for health and care services for military veterans by the Missouri Veterans Commission and to administer the program to license/certify and regulate marijuana and marijuana facilities?

This proposal is estimated to generate annual taxes and fees of \$18 million for state operating costs and veterans programs, and \$6 million for local governments. Annual state operating costs are estimated to be \$7 million.

Fair Ballot Language:

A “yes” vote will amend the Missouri Constitution to allow the use of marijuana for medical purposes under state laws. This amendment does not change federal law, which makes marijuana possession, sale and cultivation a federal offense. This amendment creates regulations and licensing procedures for medical marijuana and medical marijuana facilities — dispensary, cultivation, testing and marijuana-infused product manufacturing facilities. This amendment creates licensing fees for such facilities. This amendment will impose a 4 percent tax on the retail sale of marijuana for medical purposes by dispensary facilities. The funds from the license fees and tax will be used by the Missouri Veterans Commission for health and care services for military veterans, and by the Department of Health and Senior Services to administer the program to license/certify and regulate marijuana and marijuana facilities.

A “no” vote will not amend the Missouri Constitution as to the use of marijuana.

If passed, this measure will impose a 4 percent retail sales tax on marijuana for medical purposes.

Constitutional Amendment 3

[Proposed by Initiative Petition]

Official Ballot Title:

Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to:

- allow the use of marijuana for medical purposes, and create regulations and licensing procedures for marijuana and marijuana facilities;
- impose a 15 percent tax on the retail sale of marijuana, and a tax on the wholesale sale of marijuana flowers and leaves per dry-weight ounce to licensed facilities; and
- use funds from these taxes to establish and fund a state research institute to conduct research with the purpose of developing cures and treatments for cancer and other incurable diseases or medical conditions?

This proposal is estimated to generate annual taxes and fees of \$66 million. State governmental entities estimate initial implementation costs of \$186,000 and increased annual operating costs of \$500,000.

Fair Ballot Language:

A “yes” vote will amend the Missouri Constitution to allow the use of marijuana for medical purposes under state laws. This amendment does not change federal law, which makes marijuana possession, sale and cultivation a federal offense. This amendment makes Brad Bradshaw (the contact person on this initiative petition) the research chairperson of a newly created research institute that is funded by fees and taxes on medical marijuana. Brad Bradshaw will select the members of the board that will govern the research institute, which will issue regulations and licensing procedures for medical marijuana and medical marijuana facilities — dispensary, cultivation, and marijuana-infused product manufacturing facilities. This amendment creates licensing fees for such facilities. The amendment imposes a 15 percent tax on the retail sale of marijuana for medical purposes by dispensary facilities and a tax on the wholesale sale of marijuana flowers and leaves by cultivation facilities. The funds generated by the license fees and taxes will be used by the research institute for licensing and regulating marijuana and marijuana facilities, land acquisition and development, and conducting research with the purpose of developing cures and treatments for cancer and other incurable diseases.

A “no” vote will not amend the Missouri Constitution as to the use of marijuana.

If passed, this measure will impose an 15 percent retail sales tax on marijuana for medical uses and a wholesale sales tax on marijuana sold by medical marijuana cultivation facilities.

Constitutional Amendment 4

[Proposed by 99th General Assembly (Second Regular Session) HJR 59]

Official Ballot Title:

Do you want to amend the Missouri constitution to:

- remove language limiting bingo game advertising that a court ruled unenforceable; and
- allow a member of a licensed organization conducting bingo games to participate in the management of bingo games after being a member of the organization for six months instead of the current two years?

State and local governmental entities estimate no costs or savings from this proposal.

Fair Ballot Language:

A “yes” vote will amend the Missouri Constitution to remove language limiting bingo game advertising that a court ruled was unconstitutional and not enforceable. This amendment would also allow a member of a licensed organization conducting bingo games to participate in the management of bingo games after being a member of the organization for six months. Currently, the constitution requires two years of membership.

A “no” vote will not amend the Missouri Constitution regarding bingo games.

If passed, this measure will have no impact on taxes.

Proposition B

[Proposed by Initiative Petition]

Official Ballot Title:

Do you want to amend Missouri law to:

- increase the state minimum wage to \$8.60 per hour with 85 cents per hour increase each year until 2023, when the state minimum wage would be \$12.00 per hour;
- exempt government employers from the above increase; and
- increase the penalty for paying employees less than the minimum wage?

State and local governments estimate no direct costs or savings from the proposal, but operating costs could increase by an unknown annual amount that could be significant. State and local government tax revenue could change by an unknown annual amount ranging from a \$2.9 million decrease to a \$214 million increase depending on business decisions.

Fair Ballot Language:

A “yes” vote will amend Missouri statutes to increase the state minimum wage rate as follows:

\$8.60 per hour beginning January 1, 2019;

\$9.45 per hour beginning January 1, 2020;

\$10.30 per hour beginning January 1, 2021;

\$11.15 per hour beginning January 1, 2022; and

\$12.00 per hour beginning January 1, 2023.

The amendment will exempt government employers from the above increases, and will increase the penalty for paying employees less than the minimum wage.

A “no” vote will not amend Missouri law to make these changes to the state minimum wage law.

If passed, this measure will have no impact on taxes.

Proposition C

[Proposed by Initiative Petition]

Official Ballot Title:

Do you want to amend Missouri law to:

- remove state prohibitions on personal use and possession of medical cannabis (marijuana) with a written certification by a physician who treats a patient diagnosed with a qualifying medical condition;
- remove state prohibitions on growth, possession, production, and sale of medical marijuana by licensed and regulated facilities, and a facility's licensed owners and employees;
- impose a 2% tax on the retail sale of medical marijuana; and
- use funds from this tax for veterans' services, drug treatment, early childhood education, and for public safety in cities with a medical marijuana facility?

State government entities estimate initial and one-time costs of \$2.6 million, annual costs of \$10 million, and annual revenues of at least \$10 million. Local government entities estimate no annual costs and are expected to have at least \$152,000 in annual revenues.

Fair Ballot Language:

A "yes" vote will amend Missouri statutes to allow the use of marijuana for medical purposes under state laws. This amendment does not change federal law, which makes marijuana possession, sale and cultivation a federal offense. This amendment creates regulations and licensing procedures for medical marijuana and medical marijuana facilities — dispensary, cultivation and production, and testing facilities. This amendment creates licensing fees for such facilities. This amendment will impose a 2 percent tax on the retail sale of marijuana for medical purposes by dispensary facilities. The funds from the license fees will go to the Division of Liquor Control to administer the program to license/certify and regulate marijuana and marijuana facilities. The funds from the tax will be used for veterans' services, drug treatment, early childhood education, and for public safety in cities with a medical marijuana facility.

A "no" vote will not amend Missouri statutes as to the use of marijuana.

If passed, this measure will impose a 2% retail sales tax on marijuana for medical purposes.

Proposition D

[Proposed by 99th General Assembly (Second Regular Session)
SS 2 HB 1460]

Official Ballot Title:

Shall Missouri law be amended to fund Missouri state law enforcement by increasing the motor fuel tax by two and one half cents per gallon annually for four years beginning July 1, 2019, exempt Special Olympic, Paralympic, and Olympic prizes from state taxes, and to establish the Emergency State Freight Bottleneck Fund?

If passed, this measure will generate at least \$288 million annually to the State Road Fund to provide for the funding of Missouri state law enforcement and \$123 million annually to local governments for road construction and maintenance.

Fair Ballot Language:

A "yes" vote will amend Missouri statutes to fund the Missouri State Highway Patrol's enforcement and administration of motor vehicle laws and traffic regulations. The source of the funding will be revenue from an increased state tax on motor fuel (including gasoline, diesel fuel, kerosene, and blended fuel). The current state motor fuel tax rate is seventeen (17) cents per gallon. The amendment will increase the rate as follows:

Nineteen and one-half (19.5) cents per gallon beginning July 1, 2019;

Twenty-two (22) cents per gallon beginning July 1, 2020;

Twenty-four and one-half (24.5) cents per gallon beginning July 1, 2021;

Twenty-seven (27) cents per gallon beginning July 1, 2022.

The amendment will also increase the tax on alternative fuels used for motor vehicles (including compressed natural gas, liquid natural gas, and propane gas). The amendment will increase the rate from seventeen (17) cents to twenty-seven (27) cents per unit equivalent to a gallon of gasoline or diesel beginning January 1, 2026.

The amendment will require the state auditor to audit the state's use of the revenue generated by these taxes every two years.

Additionally, the amendment will allow a state income tax deduction for the value of any prize or award won in the Olympics, Paralympics, or Special Olympics; and it will create an "Emergency State Freight Bottleneck Fund," which will be dedicated to financing road improvement projects in the state.

A "no" vote will not amend Missouri statutes to increase the motor fuel tax, exempt certain prizes from state taxes or establish the Emergency State Freight Bottleneck Fund.

If passed, this measure will increase taxes on motor fuel.

MISSOURI SENATE CANDIDATES

These candidates are endorsed by MSTA. Biographical information appears below.

S-12 Dan Hegeman

Republican-Andrew, Atchison, Clinton, Daviess, Dekalb, Gentry, Grundy, Harrison, Holt, Mercer, Nodaway, Putnam, Sullivan, Worth, Clay

Dan Hegeman currently serves as a community affairs manager for Kansas City Power & Light. He is seeking his second term in the Missouri Senate. He previously served in the Missouri House of Representatives and is the former president of the Andrew County University of Missouri Extension Council. He previously served as the associate district manager for Congressman Sam Graves' St. Joseph office. Dan resides on a farm near Cosby with his wife Fran, they have four children.

S-16 Ryan Dillon

Democrat-Camden, Crawford, Dent, Phelps, Pulaski
www.ryandillonformissouri.com

Ryan Dillon has a passion for public policy and has previously worked as a congressional staffer for Congressman Ike Skelton and Congressman Russ Carnahan. Ryan currently is a member of the Epilepsy Foundation of Missouri, and a former national board member of the Epilepsy Foundation. Ryan also works as a substitute teacher and is a MSTA member. A graduate of Rolla High School, Ryan then attended Westminster College in Fulton. He currently resides in Rolla.

S-22 Robert Butler

Democrat-Jefferson
www.robertbutlerforsenate.com

Robert Butler is seeking his first term in the Missouri Senate. He is a practicing attorney who has lived in Jefferson County for 22 years. If elected, he will seek the input and advice of professional educators in legislation that will affect Missouri's students and communities. He attended the University of Missouri-Columbia where he obtained his degree in Accounting and Law. Bob and his wife Miriam live in Jefferson County, they have four children.

S-24 Jill Schupp

Democrat-St. Louis County
www.jillschupp.com

Jill Schupp is seeking re-election to the Missouri Senate. She previously served in the Missouri House and served six years on the Ladue School Board, including two terms as President. Prior to her legislative service, she briefly taught, then spent two decades as a small business executive. Jill has been an outspoken supporter of Missouri's public schools and teachers. She graduated from the University of Missouri-Columbia, then earned a teaching certificate from the University of Missouri-St. Louis. Jill and her husband Mark have two sons.

S-28 Sandy Crawford

Republican-Benton, Cedar, Dallas, Hickory, Laclede, Pettis, Polk, St. Clair

Sandy Crawford is seeking re-election after being elected in a special election in 2017. Sandy served in the Missouri House from 2010-2017. Prior to her legislative work, she spent thirty years in banking. She received her Bachelor's degree in Finance from Missouri State University and is a 1998 graduate of the Graduate School of Banking at Colorado. She resides near Buffalo with her husband John where they also raise beef cattle.

MISSOURI HOUSE CANDIDATES

The candidates whose names are in bold are endorsed by MSTA. Biographical information appears on the following pages.

Missouri House Candidates	DISTRICT 13 REP Vic Allred DEM Mitch Weber	DISTRICT 25 DEM Greg Razer	DISTRICT 37 REP John D Boyd Jr DEM Joe Runions
DISTRICT 1 REP Allen Andrews DEM Paul Taylor	DISTRICT 14 REP Kevin Corlew DEM Matt Sain	DISTRICT 26 DEM Ashley Bland Manlove	DISTRICT 38 REP Doug Richey DEM Abby Zavos
DISTRICT 2 REP J. Eggleston	DISTRICT 15 REP Steve West DEM Jon Carpenter	DISTRICT 27 DEM Richard Brown	DISTRICT 39 REP Peggy McGaugh DEM Rick Mellon
DISTRICT 3 REP Danny Busick DEM Joni Perry	DISTRICT 16 REP Noel J Shull DEM Tom Gorenc	DISTRICT 28 DEM Jerome Barnes LIB Jerry T Utterback	DISTRICT 40 REP Jim Hansen
DISTRICT 4 REP Greg Sharpe	DISTRICT 17 REP Mary Hill DEM Mark Ellebracht	DISTRICT 29 DEM Rory Rowland	DISTRICT 41 REP Randy Pietzman DEM David A Beckham
DISTRICT 5 REP Louis Riggs DEM Joe Frese	DISTRICT 18 REP Sarah Mills DEM Wes Rogers	DISTRICT 30 REP Jon Patterson DEM Ryana Parks-Shaw LIB Brad Eichstadt	DISTRICT 42 REP Jeff Porter DEM Joseph Widner
DISTRICT 6 REP Tim Remole DEM Mitch Wrenn	DISTRICT 19 DEM Ingrid Burnett GRN Val Engholm	DISTRICT 31 REP Dan Stacy DEM Travis Hagewood	DISTRICT 43 REP Kent Haden DEM Jamie Blair
DISTRICT 7 REP Rusty Black DEM Dennis VanDyke	DISTRICT 20 REP Bill E. Kidd DEM Jessica Merrick	DISTRICT 32 REP Jeff Coleman DEM Janice Brill	DISTRICT 44 REP Cheri Toalson Reisch DEM Maren Bell Jones
DISTRICT 8 REP James W. (Jim) Neely DEM Caleb McKnight	DISTRICT 21 DEM Robert Sauls	DISTRICT 33 REP Donna Pfautsch DEM Pat Williams	DISTRICT 45 DEM Kip Kendrick
DISTRICT 9 REP Sheila Solon DEM Bob Bergland	DISTRICT 22 DEM Brandon R. Ellington	DISTRICT 34 REP Rebecca Roeber DEM James P. (Jim) Ripley	DISTRICT 46 REP Cathy D. Richards DEM Martha Stevens GRN William (Bill) Hastings
DISTRICT 10 REP Bill Falkner DEM Shane R. Thompson	DISTRICT 23 REP David Martin DEM Barbara Anne Washington IND Jeff Francis	DISTRICT 35 REP Tom Lovell DEM Keri Ingle	DISTRICT 47 REP Charles (Chuck) Basye DEM Adrian Plank
DISTRICT 11 REP Brenda Shields DEM Brady Lee O'Dell	DISTRICT 24 DEM Judy Morgan	DISTRICT 36 DEM DaRon McGee LIB Timothy Peterman	
DISTRICT 12 REP Kenneth Wilson DEM Sandy Van Wagner			

DISTRICT 48
REP Dave Muntzel
DEM Raymond (Jeff)
Faubion

DISTRICT 49
REP Travis Fitzwater
DEM Lisa Buhr

DISTRICT 50
REP Sara Walsh
DEM Michela Skelton

DISTRICT 51
REP Dean Dohrman
DEM Vince Lutterbie
LIB William Truman
(Bill) Wayne

DISTRICT 52
REP Bradley Pollitt
DEM Dan Marshall

DISTRICT 53
REP Glen Kolkmeier
DEM Connie Simmons

DISTRICT 54
REP Dan Houx
DEM James L. Williams

DISTRICT 55
REP Mike Haffner

DISTRICT 56
REP Jack Bondon

DISTRICT 57
REP Rodger L. Reedy
DEM Joan Shores

DISTRICT 58
REP David Wood

DISTRICT 59
REP Rudy L. Veit
**DEM Linda Ellen
Greesson**

DISTRICT 60
REP Dave Griffith
DEM Sara Michael

DISTRICT 61
REP Aaron D.
Griesheimer
DEM Pamela A.
Menefee

DISTRICT 62
REP Tom Hurst
DEM Ashley D.
Fajkowski

DISTRICT 63
REP Bryan Spencer
DEM Janet Kester
LIB Carl-Herman
Freese

DISTRICT 64
REP Tony Lovasco
DEM Shawn Finklein

DISTRICT 65
REP Tom Hannegan
DEM Bill Otto

DISTRICT 66
DEM Tommie Pierson Jr

DISTRICT 67
REP Patti Longworth
DEM Alan Green

DISTRICT 68
DEM Jay Mosley

DISTRICT 69
REP Adam Jenning
DEM Gretchen Bangert
LIB Eric S. Harris

DISTRICT 70
REP Mark Matthiesen
DEM Paula Brown
GRN Carol Hexem

DISTRICT 71
**DEM LaDonna
Appelbaum**
LIB LaDonna Higgins

DISTRICT 72
REP Bruce Buwalda
DEM Doug Clemens

DISTRICT 73
DEM Raychel Proudie
DISTRICT 74
DEM Cora Faith Walker

DISTRICT 75
DEM Alan Gray

DISTRICT 76
DEM Chris Carter

DISTRICT 77
DEM Steve Roberts

DISTRICT 78
DEM Bruce Franks Jr.

DISTRICT 79
DEM LaKeySha Bosley
LIB Dan Elder

DISTRICT 80
DEM Peter Merideth

DISTRICT 81
DEM Steve Butz

DISTRICT 82
REP Erik Shelquist
DEM Donna M.C.
Baringer

DISTRICT 83
DEM Gina Mitten
LIB Andrew Bolin

DISTRICT 84
DEM Wiley Price IV

DISTRICT 85
REP Steven McKnight
DEM Kevin L.
Windham Jr.

DISTRICT 86
DEM Maria N.
Chappelle-Nadal

DISTRICT 87
REP Steven G. Bailey
DEM Ian Mackey
GRN Robert W. Warbin

DISTRICT 88
REP Lloyd Nolan
DEM Tracy McCreery
LIB Stephen Johnson

DISTRICT 89
REP Dean Plocher
DEM Kevin FitzGerald

DISTRICT 90
DEM Deb Lavender

DISTRICT 91
REP Jennifer Bird
DEM Sarah Unsicker
LIB James Scariot

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REP Bill Heisse
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DEM Erica Hoffman

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REP Mary Elizabeth
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DEM Mike Revis

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DEM Charles Triplett

DISTRICT 99
REP Jean Evans
DEM Mike LaBozzetta

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REP Derek Grier
DEM Helena Webb

DISTRICT 101
REP Bruce DeGroot
DEM Genevieve Steidtmann

DISTRICT 102
REP Ron Hicks
DEM John F. Foster

DISTRICT 103
REP John D Wiemann
DEM Jim Klenc

DISTRICT 104
REP Adam Schnelting
DEM Peggy Sherwin

DISTRICT 105
REP Phil Christofanelli
DEM Scott Cernicek
LIB Bill Slantz

DISTRICT 106
REP Chrissy Sommer
DEM Jackie Sclair

DISTRICT 107
REP Nick Schroer
DEM Curtis Wylde

DISTRICT 108
REP Justin Hill
DEM Betty Vining

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REP John Simmons
DEM James Cordrey

DISTRICT 110
REP Dottie Bailey
DEM Cody Kelley

DISTRICT 111
REP Shane Roden
DEM Phoebe Ottomeyer

DISTRICT 112
REP Rob Vescovo
DEM Benjamin Hagin

DISTRICT 113
REP Dan Shaul
DEM Karen Settlemoir-Berg

DISTRICT 114
REP **Becky Ruth**
DEM Dennis McDonald

DISTRICT 115
REP **Elaine Freeman Gannon**

DISTRICT 116
REP **Dale L. Wright**
DEM Bill Kraemer

DISTRICT 117
REP **Mike Henderson**
DEM Kayla Chick

DISTRICT 118
REP Mike McGirl
DEM Barbara Marco

DISTRICT 119
REP **Nate Tate**
DEM Marcie Nichols

DISTRICT 120
REP Jason Chipman
DEM Theresa Schmitt

DISTRICT 121
REP Don Mayhew
DEM Matt Heltz

DISTRICT 122
REP Steve Lynch

DISTRICT 123
REP Suzie Pollock
DEM Joe Register

DISTRICT 124
REP Rocky Miller
DEM Steve Dakopolos

DISTRICT 125
REP Warren D. Love
DEM Chase Crawford

DISTRICT 126
REP **Patricia Pike**
DEM Jim Hogan
CST Stephen Biles

DISTRICT 127
REP **Ann Kelley**
DEM Teri Hanna

DISTRICT 128
REP Mike Stephens
DEM Rich Horton

DISTRICT 129
REP **Jeff Knight**
DEM Ronna Ford

DISTRICT 130
REP **Jeff Messenger**
DEM Tyler Gunlock

DISTRICT 131
REP Sonya Murray
Anderson
DEM Nate Branscom

DISTRICT 132
REP Sarah Semple
DEM **Crystal Quade**

DISTRICT 133
REP Curtis D. Trent
DEM Cindy Slimp

DISTRICT 134
REP Elijah Haahr
DEM Derrick Nowlin

DISTRICT 135
REP Steve Helms
DEM Rob Bailey

DISTRICT 136
REP **J. Craig Fishel**
DEM Jeff Munzinger

DISTRICT 137
REP **John F. Black**
DEM Raymond Lampert

DISTRICT 138
REP **Brad Hudson**

DISTRICT 139
REP Jered Taylor
DEM Cora Hanf

DISTRICT 140
REP **Lynn Morris**
DEM Tony Smith
GRN Robert Debbaut

DISTRICT 141
REP Hannah Kelly

DISTRICT 142
REP Robert Ross

DISTRICT 143
REP Jeffrey Pogue

DISTRICT 144
REP **Chris Dinkins**

DISTRICT 145
REP **Rick Francis**
DEM Ronald G. Pember

DISTRICT 146
REP Barry D. Hovis
DEM Gayla A. Dace

DISTRICT 147
REP **Kathy Swan**
DEM Renita Green

DISTRICT 148
REP Holly Rehder

DISTRICT 149
REP Don Rone
DEM Bill Burlison
IND Jackie Townes
McGee

DISTRICT 150
REP Andrew McDaniel
DEM Josh Rittenberry

DISTRICT 151
REP **Herman Morse**
DEM J.T. (Jerry)
Howard
LIB Rick Vandeven

DISTRICT 152
REP Hardy Billington
DEM Robert L. Smith

DISTRICT 153
REP Jeff Shawan
DEM Matt Michel

DISTRICT 154
REP David Evans

DISTRICT 155
REP **Karla Eslinger**

DISTRICT 156
REP Jeff Justus

DISTRICT 157
REP Mike Moon
DEM Loretta Thomas

DISTRICT 158
REP **Scott Fitzpatrick**

DISTRICT 159
REP Dirk E. Deaton
DEM Jerry Sparks

DISTRICT 160
REP Ben Baker
DEM Angela R. Thomas

DISTRICT 161
REP **Lane Roberts**
DEM Elizabeth Lundstrum

DISTRICT 162
REP Robert (Bob) Bromley
DEM Sarah Hinkle
GRN Mollie Dyer

DISTRICT 163
REP Cody Smith
DEM Chad Fletcher

MSTA-Endorsed Missouri House candidates

H-1 Allen Andrews Republican-Atchison, Holt, Nodaway, Worth

Allen Andrews is seeking his third term in the Missouri House. He is the president of Wool Shop, his family's small business that manufactures lambswool home cleaning products. He served on the Worth Co. R-3 school board for six years. Allen is a graduate of Worth Co. R-3 High School and Northwest Missouri State University. He and his wife reside in Grant City. They have three children.

H-3 Danny Busick Republican-Adair, Mercer, Putnam, Sullivan

Danny served as an associate commissioner of Sullivan County for 13 years, while also operating their family business. Danny also was a High School Softball umpire for 28 years and an assistant bus driver at Newton-Harris High School. Danny and his wife Sandy raised five sons, three daughters and two foster children.

H-7 Rusty Black Republican-Grundy, Linn, Livingston

Rusty Black was an agriculture education teacher for 32 years, the last 27 in Chillicothe where his wife served as the director of special services. Rusty has held many leadership positions at MST A, including the Legislative Impact Committee, as well as serving as the parliamentarian for the Assembly of Delegates at the Annual Convention. He earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Nebraska-Omaha and a Master's degree in Education from Central Methodist University. He serves on both the House Budget and Pensions Committees.

H-8 Jim Neely Republican-Caldwell, Clay, Clinton, Ray

Jim Neely is seeking his final term in the Missouri House. He served on the Cameron School Board from 1996 to 2007. A graduate of the University of Missouri-Columbia, he also received his D. O. from the Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences. He is a physician at Cameron Regional Medical Center. Dr. Neely resides in Cameron with his wife Sandra.

H-11 Brenda Shields Republican-Buchanan

Brenda Shields graduated from the University of Missouri-Columbia with a degree in Logistics. Upon graduation, she was recruited to work for the Quaker Oats Company. When Quaker Oats closed its St. Joseph facility, Brenda received her alternative teacher certification and taught business classes for five years at both Benton and Truman Middle School. During her time in public education, she was a proud MST A member and was elected to serve as treasurer of St. Joseph MST A. In 2006, Brenda was selected to serve as the President and CEO of the United Way of Greater St. Joseph where she served until her retirement in 2010. She and her husband Charlie have two adult sons.

H-14 Kevin Corlew
Republican-Platte, Clay
www.kevincorlew.com

Kevin Corlew is running for his third term in the Missouri House. He is an attorney specializing in business litigation at a law firm in Kansas City. He served as a school board member in North Kansas City where he saw first-hand the importance of community involvement in schools. Kevin is a graduate of the University of Nebraska College of Law and worked for two years as a judicial law clerk for a judge on the Nebraska Supreme Court. He and his wife Amy live in Kansas City with their three children.

H-15 Jon Carpenter
Democrat-Clay
www.carpenterformissouri.com

Jon Carpenter is seeking his final term in the Missouri House. Together with his wife, they own and operate Carpenter Communications, a marketing and advertising firm that partners with local businesses and nonprofit organizations. Jon has a degree in Political Science from the University of Southern California. He resides in Kansas City North with his wife Midori.

H-17 Mark Ellebracht
Democrat-Clay
Markellebracht.com

Mark Ellebracht is seeking his second term in the Missouri House. A U.S. Army veteran, Mark also worked as a cement mason. In addition to his legislative duties, he works as an attorney. Mark is an Eagle Scout, and earned a Bachelors from William Jewell College and graduated from the University of Missouri School of Law. He currently resides in Liberty.

H-18 Wes Rogers
Democrat-Clay
www.rogersformissouri.com

Wes Rogers is running for his first term in the Missouri House. A sixth-generation Missourian, Wes is a former Chief Deputy Prosecutor for Clay County. He is currently an attorney and small business owner. Wes and his wife Laura have two children. He completed his undergraduate studies and law school at the University of Missouri-Columbia and completed an M.B.A. at Washington University in St. Louis.

H-19 Ingrid Burnett
Democrat-Jackson
www.Ingridburnett.com

Ingrid Burnett is a retired educator who served students as a teacher, principal, and then school counselor. She serves on the House Elementary and Secondary Education Committee and is a strong voice for public education. Ingrid received her bachelor's degree in music Education/Music Therapy from the University of Missouri Kansas City, and completed a Master of Science degree in Counseling Psychology from Avila University in Kansas City. Ingrid and her husband John raised three children in the Historic Northeast and enjoy visits from their four grandchildren.

H-20 Bill E. Kidd
Republican-Jackson
www.billkiddformissouri.com

Bill E. Kidd was first elected to the Missouri House in 2014 after holding various positions with corporations and is an ordained Christian minister. He is a member of the command staff for emergency operation center of Eastern Jackson County and the City of Independence. Bill holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering Technology from Oklahoma State University. He resides in Independence with his wife, they have two children.

H-24 Judy Morgan
Democrat-Jackson
www.vote4judymorgan.com

Judy Morgan was elected to the Missouri House in a special election in 2011. She is retired from Kansas City Public Schools where she worked for 29 years as a high school teacher and counselor. After a career in education, she understands the value of public education and has worked to ensure public schools have the resources they need to help students be successful. She received her bachelor's degree in Secondary Education and a master's degree in Guidance and Counseling from the University of Missouri-Kansas City. Judy and her husband Gene live in Kansas City; they have one daughter.

H-32 Jeff Coleman
Republican-Jackson
www.citizensforjeffcoleman.com

Jeff Coleman is a small business owner with a strong finance background. He was worked as a retirement and wealth preservation specialist for over thirty years. He currently serves as a Grain Valley Alderman. He has served on the Grain Valley School Board for the past seven years and is currently the Vice-President of the Board. He resides in Grain Valley with his wife, Debbie. They have seven children.

H-33 Donna Pfautsch
Republican-Cass, Jackson
www.citizensforpfautsch.com

Donna Pfautsch is running for her final term in the Missouri House. She retired in 2012 after teaching for 40 years at Harrisonville R-9 School District. She taught sixth grade for six years and then was facilitator of gifted/talented programs for 34 years. During her career, she served as president of the Missouri Gifted Association and was named Missouri Gifted Education Teacher of the year. Pfautsch earned bachelor's and master's degrees in elementary education from the University of Central Missouri. She and her husband Larry have two children.

H-34 Jim Ripley
Democrat-Jackson
www.ripleyformointegrity.com

Jim Ripley is a retired law enforcement officer. A former Missouri State Highway Patrol trooper, Jim served a variety of roles during his 33 year distinguished career. After his law enforcement career, Jim began work as a Law Enforcement/Police Science instructor at Herndon Career Center in Raytown where he worked with other instructors across the state to establish a testing procedure and certification process for an Industry Recognized Credential for qualified students.

H-35 Keri Ingle
Democrat-Jackson
www.keriingle.com

Keri Ingle worked to strengthen families and to ensure the safety of Missouri's youngest citizens while working at the Jackson County Children's Division. Keri is a room mom at her son's local school and a proud member of the PTA. Keri graduated with a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Central Oklahoma and a Master's in Social Work from the University of Kansas.

H-39 Peggy McGaugh
Republican-Carroll, Chariton, Ray

Peggy McGaugh is seeking re-election after winning a special election in February of 2018. Prior to her election as State Representative, she served a total of 32 years in the Carroll County Clerk's office, including six four-year terms as the elected County Clerk. Peggy and her husband David reside in rural Carroll county. They have two children and three grandchildren.

H-40 Jim Hansen
Republican-Monroe, Pike, Lincoln, Ralls

Jim Hansen is seeking his final term in the Missouri House. Jim retired in 2002 as Vice-President of the State Farm insurance office in Columbia, Missouri. Jim was previously elected to the Hannibal School Board. Jim graduated from the University of Arizona with a Masters in Secondary Education. He resides in Frankford with his wife Cindy, they have three children.

H-42 Jeff Porter
Republican-Montgomery, St. Charles, Warren

Jeff Porter is a small business owner, insurance and real estate agent. He has served as the Mayor of Montgomery City for the past 15 years. Jeff earned a Bachelor of Science degree in agricultural economics and agronomy from the University of Missouri-Columbia. Jeff and his wife Julie reside in Montgomery City where she teaches, they have two adult children.

H-45 Kip Kendrick
Democrat-Boone
www.kipkendrick.com

Kip Kendrick is running for his final term in the Missouri House. Prior to his legislative career, he helped to coordinate support services for Boone County Family Resources, assisting children with developmental disabilities and their families, he currently works as the Special Projects Coordinator in the Office of General Counsel with Columbia College. As the ranking minority member on the House Budget Committee, he has fought for full funding of the foundation formula and increasing state support for K-12 transportation. A graduate of Monroe City High School, Kip earned a bachelor's in Psychology from Columbia College and a graduate degree in Higher Education Administration from the University of Missouri. Kip lives in Columbia with his wife and family.

H-46 Martha Stevens
Democrat-Boone
www.friendsofmarthastevens.org

Martha Stephens first moved to Columbia in 2002 to attend the University of Missouri and earned a Bachelor's degree in sociology and also completed a Master's degree in Social Work with an emphasis in public policy. She has worked to advocate for low-income seniors and adults with disabilities in both rural Missouri and Columbia. Martha resides in Columbia with her husband Ben Edes.

H-50 Michela Skelton
Democrat-Boone, Cole, Cooper, Moniteau
www.michelaskelton.com

Michela Skelton has worked in both the private sector as well as federal and state government, including work in a non-partisan Missouri Senate research position. Michela earned a Bachelor's degree in Political Science and Master's degree in Public Administration and policy Analysis from Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. She also completed a law degree from Washington University in St. Louis. Michela and her husband have two children.

H-52 Brad Pollitt
Republican-Pettis, Johnson

Brad Pollitt recently retired after serving five years as the Sedalia 200 school district superintendent. His retirement concluded a twenty-four-year career in the district where he served in a variety of roles. Brad graduated with a bachelor's degree from Northeast Missouri State and received his Master's in Education from William Woods University and his Education Specialist degree from the University of Central Missouri.

H-53 Connie Simmons
Democrat-Lafayette, Johnson, Jackson
www.simmons4house53.com

Connie Simmons is a retired school counselor and MSTA member. Connie understands the importance of public education to students, families and communities in Missouri. She will be a strong advocate for local control of schools. Connie has a bachelors and master's degree from the University of Central Missouri. She resides in Centerview with her husband Fred, they have two children and two grandchildren.

H-54 Dan Houx
Republican-Johnson, Pettis
www.danhoux.com

Dan Houx is the 7th generation of his family to live in Johnson County. The son of an educator, Dan graduated from Kemper Military school and college in Boonville and believes the most important issues facing education today are fully funding the foundation formula and increasing teacher pay. Dan is a home builder as well as a realtor and is active in the community. He resides in Warrensburg with his wife Toni.

H-56 Jack Bondon
Republican-Jackson, Cass, Bates
www.jackbondon.com

First elected in 2014, Jack Bondon is seeking a third term. Outside of the legislature, he is the Vice President of Berbiglia Wine & Spirits. Jack holds a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Georgetown University. Jack and his wife live in Belton; they have one daughter. In 2018, Jack won the MSTA Friend of Education award.

H-57 Rodger Reedy
Republican-Bates, Benton, Cass, Henry

Rodger Reedy has served for twenty-six years as the Benton County Assessor and operates a family farm raising feeder cattle. Rodger understands the importance of seeking input from professional educators and will seek input from his constituents on important education policy issues. Rodger and his wife Rhonda, a first-grade teacher, reside in Windsor. They have three adult children.

H-58 David Wood
Republican-Miller, Moniteau, Morgan

David Wood taught for 25 years at Morgan Co. R-2 school district. During his teaching career, he taught mathematics and computer science, was a technology coordinator, bus driver and coach. He was an MSTA member for his entire career, serving as CTA president and vice-president. David graduated from Eldon High School and earned a bachelor's degree in education from the University of Central Missouri. He and his wife have two children and five grandchildren. They reside in Versailles.

H-59 Linda Greeson
Republican-Cole, Miller

Linda Greeson is a retired educator and counselor from Eldon, she spent over thirty years as a Missouri public school teacher. Linda and her husband Dan own a farm and have a cow/calf operation. During Linda's career, she was involved in MSTA in both her local CTA as well as the MSTA Resolutions Committee. Linda earned a bachelor's in elementary education and a masters in counselor education from Southeast Missouri State University.

H-65 Bill Otto
Democrat-St. Charles County
www.billotto.org

Bill Otto is a retired air traffic controller with strong ties to his community. Bill is a former City Council member in Bridgeton and previously served in the Missouri House. Bill resides in Bridgeton with his wife Kathy, they have three sons and three daughters.

H-66 Tommie Pierson Jr
Democrat-St. Louis County, St. Louis City
www.piersonjr.com

Tommie Pierson Jr is a father, pastor and educator. As a former 7th grade mathematics and personal finance teacher, he knows the hard work and dedication teachers put in every day. Tommie has a long family history of service to the community, he positively impacts the lives in his community through counseling, coaching, mentoring and teaching. Tommie has a bachelor's degree in applied math from Washington University in St. Louis, as well as a master's in theology from Covenant Theological Seminary. He is married and has 3 children.

H-69 Gretchen Bangert
Democrat-St. Louis County
Gretchenbangert.org

Gretchen Bangert is seeking her second term in the Missouri House. Prior to elected office, Gretchen worked as a job coach with STL Youth Jobs, Director of Education for Junior Achievement of Greater St. Louis, assistant auditor for St. Louis County Government and administrative assistant to the St. Louis County Council. She serves on the House Elementary and Secondary Education committee where she has been a strong voice for Missouri teachers. Gretchen resides in Florissant with her husband Mike, they have four children.

H-70 Paula Brown
Democrat-St. Louis County, St. Charles County
www.paulabrown.org

Paula Brown is a retired educator, she served for over twenty years as an elementary school teacher, middle school librarian and an administrator. Paula grew up in House District 70 and attended public school in Pattonville. She earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education from the University of Missouri-Columbia and a master's degree from Lindenwood University. Paula and her husband Rob have two adult children currently attending college.

H-71 LaDonna Appelbaum
Democrat-St. Louis County
www.ladonnaformissouri.com

LaDonna Appelbaum worked in orthopedic medical sales and started her own company that she ran for eight years. She helped organize the nation's first parade to honor those who served in Iraq and Afghanistan, the Welcome Home the Heroes Parade. Ladonna has a bachelor of science degree in athletic training and sports medicine.

H-72 Doug Clemens
Democrat-St. Louis County
www.Dougclemens.com

Doug Clemens works with a company installing live captioning phones in the homes of the hearing impaired through the Americans with Disabilities Act at no cost to the recipients. He previously was a member of UAW Local 282 and UFCW Local 655. Doug remains active in his community through the support of his wife Stephanie.

H-77 Steve Roberts
Democrat-St. Louis City
www.Robertsforstl.com

Steve Roberts is seeking his second term in the Missouri House. A fourth generation St. Louis native, Steve has strong ties to the St. Louis community. Prior to his legislative service, Steve worked as a prosecutor for the City of St. Louis where he participated in over a hundred cases from minor weapon offenses to homicides. Steve holds a Bachelor of Science in Psychology and Communication Studies from the University of Miami and a law degree from Pepperdine University School of Law.

H-80 Peter Merideth
Democrat-St. Louis City
www.Mopprogress.com

Peter Merideth is an attorney who started his own practice, GroundUp STL. He is seeking his second term in the Missouri House. Peter has previously served on the St. Louis City Board of Equalization, and as the President of the Shaw Neighborhood Association. He resides in Tower Grove East with his wife and daughters.

H-83 Gina Mitten
Democrat-St. Louis City
www.ginamitten.com

Gina Mitten is seeking her final term in the Missouri House of Representatives. She previously served as a member of the Richmond Heights City Council from 2004-2012. As a leader in the minority party, she has supported public schools and helped protect against erosions to local control. She is an attorney with St. Louis Lawyers Group, working on civil litigation and domestic relations. Gina lives in Richmond Heights with her husband and daughter.

H-88 Tracy McCreery
Democrat-St. Louis
www.tracymccreery.com

Tracy McCreery has extensive experience in the business world, as well as with non-profit organizations and in state government. She worked for Sen. Joan Bray and Governor Bob Holden. She was elected in a special election in 2011. She has volunteered for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Missouri as well as numerous other civic organizations. She is in favor of universal pre-K so children arrive at school ready to learn. Tracy holds a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Ohio State University. She and her husband live in Olivette.

H-90 Deb Lavender
Democrat-St. Louis County
www.lavenderforstaterep.com

Deb Lavender is a health care professional, she is a physical therapist and owner of Des Peres Physical Therapy. Deb developed an interest in politics when she attended Girls State as a teenager. During her professional career, she worked in Jefferson City on many state issues, eventually working in the Missouri House. Deb serves on the House Budget Committee and is a strong voice of support for Missouri's public schools.

H-91 Sarah Unsicker
Democrat-St. Louis, St. Louis City
www.unsickerformissouri.com

Sarah Unsicker has 2 children in public school in St. Louis County. She is a volunteer in the district and has also dedicated time with CHADD (Children+Adults with ADHD). As a parent advocate and an attorney, she knows the stresses that are placed on teachers every day. A graduate of Washington University Law School, Sarah resides in Shrewsbury with her family.

H-92 Doug Beck
Democrat-St. Louis
www.beck4missouri.com

Doug Beck is seeking his second term in the Missouri House. In addition to his legislative duties, Doug has been a Pipefitter for the UA Local 562 for 30 years. Doug graduated from Lindbergh High School and attended St. Louis Community College. Doug resides in St. Louis with his wife and their two children.

H-94 Jean Pretto
Democrat-St. Louis County
www.prettoformissouri.com

Jean Pretto is a retired music and choir teacher. After leaving the profession for a number of years, she returned to education and understands the opportunities and challenges of educators. Jean was elected to the Mehlville School Board in 2014. She has a Bachelor's degree in Music Education and a Masters' degree in Education Administration and Supervision. Jean and her husband Joe have two adult children and nine grandchildren.

H-95 Mike Walter
Democrat-St. Louis County

Mike Walter is a retired IBEW Local 1439 business manager, he previously worked as a mechanic for Union Electric (now Ameren MO). Mike has served on several county boards and in local government. He resides in Oakville with his wife, they have 4 children.

H-96 Erica Hoffman
Democrat-St. Louis County
www.ericafor96.com

Erica Hoffman is a former educator that believes quality education needs to remain a priority in Missouri. She strongly supports efforts to expand access to early childhood education programs. She helped found Upstanders, an anti-bullying collaborative to help children in the Lindbergh and surrounding districts. Erica and her husband have two children.

H-97 Mike Revis
Democrat-Jefferson, St. Louis County
www.revisformissouri.com

Mike Revis was first elected in a Special Election in February of 2018 and is seeking re-election. After graduating from Rockwood Summit High School, Mike attended the University of Missouri where he graduated with a degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in Marketing.

H-114 Becky Ruth
Republican-Jefferson
www.beckyruth.com

First elected in 2014, Becky Ruth is a retired educator with 25 years of experience in the classroom. In her first term, she was elected Vice-President of the Freshman Legislative Class. While teaching Spanish for the Festus School District she was an active MSTA member. In 2009, Becky served MSTA as the state president. Serving as president gave her the opportunity to talk to teachers across the state and she has a strong understanding of MSTA's positions on education issues. She has sponsored and passed legislation changing the makeup of the state board of education to include practicing educators. She and her husband Don have three children and four grandchildren. They live in Festus.

H-115 Elaine Gannon
Republican-Jefferson, St. Francois, Ste. Genevieve
www.Votegannon.org

Elaine Gannon is running for re-election after first being elected in 2012. She taught for 32 years in the DeSoto School District and was a longtime active MSTA member serving as a building representative. Having spent a career in education, Gannon is an advocate for public schools and teachers in the legislature. A graduate of Bismarck R-5 school district, she earned an Associates' degree from Jefferson County Community College, a Bachelor's degree in elementary and secondary health and physical education at Southeast Missouri State University and a Master's of Science in education from Southwest Missouri Baptist University. Elaine and her husband Dennis have two sons and live in DeSoto.

H-116 Dale Wright
Republican-St. Francois, Ste. Genevieve, Perry
www.wrightformissouri.com

Dale Wright is a Co-Owner and Managing Partner of the Actalur Group, LLC, a healthcare consulting company based in Delray Beach, Florida and President and COO of Angle Medical Solutions, a medical distributor in Rigby, Idaho. Dale was elected to the Farmington City Council and serves on the Police Personnel Board, and the Public Safety and Public Services Committees. Dale and his wife Denise, a former English instructor at Mineral Area College, have five children, ten grandchildren and a great-grandson.

H-117 Mike Henderson
Republican- St. Francois
[@mikehenderson12](https://twitter.com/mikehenderson12)

Mike Henderson is seeking his second term. Mike has 30 years of experience as a public school teacher, coach and administrator. He understands the issues educators face every day, his passion for the political process drove him to run for office. Mike graduated from Murray State University and completed his Master's in Educational Administration, and Specialist Degree in Educational Administration from Southeast Missouri State University. Mike's wife Cheri also taught for 31 years in public education, they have 2 children and a grandchild.

H-119 Nate Tate
Republican-Franklin, Washington

Nate Tate works as a sales manager at Main Line Hauling in St. Clair and has previously worked as an IT security analyst. He served 4 years as a board member of the St. Clair Area Chamber of Commerce, where he served as president for two years. He is a former alderman in St. Clair. Nate earned his master's degree in business administration from Fontbonne University. He currently resides in St. Clair with his wife and three children.

H-126 Patricia Pike
Republican-Bates, Vernon

Patricia Pike was first elected in 2014. She has a rich public education background, retiring after 36 years as a High School Guidance Counselor, Family and Consumer Science Teacher and Parents as Teachers Coordinator. Patricia was an active member of MSTA throughout her career and uses her experience in the classroom as a leader on the floor during debate on issues affecting Missouri teachers. She is also a business and farm owner. She has two children and two grandchildren.

H-127 Ann Kelley
Republican-Barton, Cedar, Dade, Jasper
www.annkelley.org

Ann Kelley is seeking her first term in the Missouri House. She has been a teacher at Lamar Middle School for the past 12 years. During her time as a teacher, she has been an MSTA member. Ann and her husband Mike live in Barton County with their son.

H-129 Jeff Knight
Republican-Laclede, Dallas

Jeff Knight was first elected in a special election in February 2018. Before his election, Jeff was an educator in Camdenton Public Schools, working with students at Mary Dickerson Juvenile Justice Center. Jeff is also involved with his family's auction business, Knight Auction Service. Jeff and his wife Amy have two children.

H-130 Jeff Messenger
Republican-Greene
www.Jeffmessenger.us.com

Jeff Messenger is running for his final term in the Missouri House. Messenger served four years in the Navy and received an honorable discharge in 1973. He owned a water well drilling company for over 22 years. While owner of his drilling company he served as Secretary on the Missouri Water Well Association. He now owns a prosthetics and orthotics company that he runs with the help of his two sons. He is a graduate of Hillcrest High School in Springfield.

H-132 Crystal Quade
Democrat-Greene
www.crystalquade.com

Crystal Quade is seeking her second term in the Missouri House. She works for a nonprofit that partners with school districts across the state to fund emergency basic needs of children so they can be successful in the classroom. Crystal has experience working with educators, conducting training on how to spot poverty to help the community and schools work together to address needs. Crystal resides in Springfield with her husband and family.

H-136 Craig Fishel
Republican-Greene

Craig Fishel is a retired small business owner and former Springfield City Councilman. He understands the important connection between communities, schools and local businesses. Craig earned a Bachelor's in Industrial Technology from Missouri State University. He resides in Springfield with his wife Donna, a journalism teacher at Parkview High School. They have two adult children and two grandchildren.

H-137 John Black
Republican-Greene, Webster
www.electjohnblack18.com

John Black has a distinguished professional background, including spending time as a chemical engineer and the first in-house counsel at Missouri State University. He recently retired after serving as General Counsel at City Utilities in Springfield. John also served on the Marshfield School Board. He holds degrees in Chemical Engineering and in Management from the Missouri University of Science and Technology and a law degree from the University of Missouri-Columbia. He resides in Marshfield with his wife Cynthia.

H-138 Brad Hudson
Republican-Christian, Stone, Taney
www.brad4mo.com

Brad Hudson began his career in public service working in the Stone County Planning and Zoning office. In 2008, Brad made the decision to seek the position of Stone County Assessor and served until 2018. In 2016 he was elected by his colleagues to serve as the President of the Southwest Missouri Assessors Association. He received a bachelor's degree in Biblical Studies from the Midwest College of Theology. Brad, his wife Carissa, and their two children reside on their family farm near Cape Fair.

H-140 Lynn Morris
Republican-Christian
www.Lynnmorris.org

Lynn Morris is running for his final term in the Missouri House. Lynn is a retired Pharmacist and former President/ Owner of Family Pharmacy Inc., Family Pharmacy HealthCare Services and Family Pharmacy Partners LLC. During his time in the House, Lynn has voted in opposition to public money being used for private schools and also voted against using student standardized test scores to evaluate teachers and been a strong voice on the Elementary and Secondary Education Appropriation Committee. A graduate of Parkview High School, Morris received his Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy from University of Missouri-Kansas City. He received his Master's in Healthcare Administration from Southwest Baptist University. Lynn and his wife Janet reside in Ozark. They have three children.

H-144 Chris Dinkins
Republican- Washington, Reynolds, Iron, Shannon
www.chrisdinkins.com

Chris Dinkins is seeking re-election after being elected in a special election in February of 2018. She is a former public school teacher and small business owner in Reynolds County. Chris received her Bachelor's of Administration from Central Methodist University and her Master of Education from Webster University. Chris resides in Annapolis with her husband Dave on their family farm.

H-145 Rick Francis
Republican-Bollinger, Madison, Perry
www.rickfrancismorep.com

Rick Francis is seeking his second term in the Missouri House. Rick spent 33 years in education, including teaching, coaching and as an administrator. Rick also serves on the Perry County District No. 32 school board. He resides outside of Perryville with his wife Chris, also an educator. They have four children and five grandchildren.

H-147 Kathryn Swan
Republican-Cape Girardeau County
www.kathyswan.com

Kathy Swan is President of JCS wireless, a small wireless communications company with offices in Cape Girardeau and Perryville. Kathy was first elected in 2012. She has previously served on the Cape Girardeau Board of Education. She served over nine years on the Missouri Coordinating Board for Higher Education, serving two terms as board chair. Kathy serves as the chair of the House Elementary and Secondary Education Committee. She received an A.A. in Nursing and B.S.N. from Southeast Missouri State University. Kathy resides in Cape Girardeau with her husband Reg, they have two children and a granddaughter.

H-151 Herman Morse
Republican-Scott, Stoddard

Herman Morse is a retired educator, he spent 27 years working at the Dexter Public Schools and was an adjunct professor for Three Rivers College. Herman also served on the Dexter Schools Board of Education for 14 years. During his time as an educator, Herman was a leader in his local CTA. Herman graduated from Southeast Missouri State University in 1971 with a B.S. in Education. He also has a Master's Degree in Guidance and Counseling and a Specialist in Education from Southeast. Herman resides outside Dexter with his wife, Sharon.

H-155 Karla Eslinger
Republican-Howell, Ozark, Stone, Taney

Karla Eslinger is seeking her first term in the Missouri House. Karla is a retired professional educator who has spent her entire life serving students. Karla has worked in a variety of positions, from elementary school teacher, to eventually serving as Assistant Commissioner of Education at the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. Karla and her husband David have two children.

H-158 Scott Fitzpatrick
Republican-Lawrence, Stone, Barry

Scott Fitzpatrick is the CEO of MariCorp US, a Shell Knob based marine manufacturing and construction company. He is seeking his final term in the Missouri House where he serves as the Chairman of the Budget Committee. During his tenure as Budget Chair, Scott has consistently fought to fully fund the School Foundation Formula. He is a graduate of the University of Missouri. Scott resides in Shell Knob with his wife and family.

H-161 Lane Roberts
Republican- Newton, Jasper
www.lanejroberts.com

Lane Roberts is a former law enforcement professional. He served as the Chief of Police for the City of Joplin from 2007 until 2014 where he coordinated the Law Enforcement response to the 2011 Joplin tornado. In 2015, he was selected to lead the Missouri Department of Public Safety. He resides in Joplin with his wife Judy, they have three children, seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

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