



Carolyn B. Maloney, Democratic Party

EDUCATION

Q: What is your position on diversity initiatives in historically racially and socioeconomically segregated schools, and if elected, what steps will you take to influence federally funded programs and/or policies?

A: I support efforts to increase diversity at schools. I believe federal data on the AAPI community should be disaggregated so that so that appropriate resources can be directed to specific communities that need assistance. I believe that all public universities should allow enrollment to undocumented students and provide translations for the FASFA, to enable these students to access the financial aid they need to attend college.

I believe that k-12 schools need more federal resources to support families and students that have limited English proficiency. I support stronger enforcement of federal civil rights protections against discrimination and believe more focus is needed on discrimination facing AAPI students.

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GUN CONTROL

Q: What is your position on gun control and if elected, what specific policies will you advocate for?

A: I am a strong supporter of gun control laws and wear my F from the NRA as a badge of honor. I support a ban assault weapons, universal background checks and a national red flag law. I have also authored 7 gun bills of my own to crack down on gun trafficking, close the gun show loophole, require liability insurance, increase smart gun technology and strengthen the National Instant Criminal Background system. I've been endorsed by the Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence and am a Mom's Demand Action Gun Sense Candidate.

HEALTHCARE

Q: What steps will you take to ensure that immigrants continue to have access to healthcare in New York in light of recent discussions concerning public charge policies?

A: I believe healthcare is a right, not a privilege, and everyone regardless of immigration status deserves access to quality, affordable health care. I support strengthening the Affordable Care Act and eventually moving to a Medicare for All system.

IMMIGRATION

Q: Given the recent changes and proposed changes to immigration policy, which existing immigration policies would you advocate to protect?

A: I strongly support reinstating the DACA program, as well passing the DREAM Act and comprehensive immigration reform that provides a pathway to citizenship for the 11 million undocumented immigrants living in the U.S. I recently visited an ICE detention facility to visit with fathers who had their children taken away from them under the Trump Administration's new family separation policy and am sponsoring legislation to end this program. I also believe that we must address the visa backlog also that immigrants, refugees, and asylum seekers should have the ability to equitably sponsor their families to the United States.

CENSUS

Q: What steps have you taken or will you take to ensure accurate representation of underrepresented and vulnerable communities for Census 2020?

A: I founded the Congressional Census Caucus to organize members in support of protecting the 2020 Census, I led an amicus brief of nearly 200 members of Congress in support of a lawsuit challenging the constitutionality of the Trump Administration's citizenship question, demanded the Census Bureau and Justice Department be subpoenaed to turn over important Census documents and have authored two bills to remove the citizenship question (2020 Census IDEA Act) and increase funding for the census to improve outreach to underrepresented and vulnerable communities (2020 Census Investment Act).