

## California Democratic Gubernatorial Candidate Proposes \$0 Future Schools; Cancelling Student Debt.

Biden's inability to forgive the promised \$10,000 of student-loans has once again brought student-loan debt to the forefront of media attention. The solution to student-loan debt is not to force our youth into debt in the first place. Meet Kevin Paffrath for Governor has proposed preventing student debt with Future Schools. Future Schools are where students will be given a financial, vocational, college, and high-school education all at once, for free. Students will have the choice to attend a regular high school or Future School. This way, students at Future Schools can graduate at 18 with a career, not debt.

High school graduation rates are at their lowest level in decades in California. This is not the fault of teachers or students: it is the State of California's fault and specifically, Gavin Newson's fault. California schools are failing their students. It is obscene that 60% of students graduating at 18 cannot get a job and even fewer are able to find one that pays a living wage.

The solution is to teach practical skills and increase the quality of education our students receive. Future Schools will teach practical skills designed for each career path a student chooses in partnership with small, medium, and large businesses throughout California. This means businesses are incentivized to teach our teachers the skills they need and in return, our schools provide educated workers, with the specific skills businesses need, by 18 years old. With an emphasis on online-lectures and in-person, hands-on training, we can pay our teachers over \$120,000 each per year and increase the effectiveness of schooling by eliminating redundant lecturing. Should students still choose to attend a University of California or California State University after attending a Future School, admission will be based on the student's performance in the Future School, not ACTs or SATs. Businesses hiring students from Future Schools will also be required to operate within California. We must stop the flight of talent out of California.

The first 2 years will be more generalized so that students can fine-tune their career path while learning business acumen, financial education, sales skills, business communication skills, and basic accounting skills. The last 2 years will be focused on skill & career training. This means that by 18, students will be able to graduate with a career, licenses, certifications, and no debt.

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