

Over the last decade, college costs have increased three times faster than inflation, leaving too many families struggling to afford higher education.

Every public institution has a limited number of slots for in-state students. They should not be denying access to those here legally for those limited slots by giving them to those here illegally, at the expense of the taxpayers who support our higher education system.

As for “free tuition,” like my opponent promised to a Bernie Sanders group who endorsed him in the primary – we cannot afford it. He did not say how he would pay for it.

The issue of immigration is one place where my opponent and I differ.

I support the rule of law and believe we must follow the laws on the books. If we do not like those laws, we can change them, but we cannot pick and choose which laws to follow.

I oppose in-state tuition for those here illegally. I voted to ban sanctuary cities, and I support using e-Verify to level the playing field for businesses who should only be hiring legal workers.

By contrast, my opponent supports in-state tuition for those here illegally, does not support an e-Verify requirement, and also supports the establishment of sanctuary cities.

At a candidate forum, my opponent pledged to, *“fight any attempt to have the federal government make us comply with the Trump Administration’s policies around immigration and deportation, specifically.”*

Virginia needs a Lt. Governor who will uphold the rule of law and ensure access to opportunity for those who followed the rules. Virginia needs leaders with real-world experience writing budgets, who understand that we must pay for our proposals.