

KANSAS

Voters in Kansas will elect a governor, Lt. governor, and attorney general, along with state treasurer. All 125 state house seats and two state senate seats are up for election. Kansas remains firmly Republican at the legislative level, while the executive races are expected to be competitive.

Governor

Democratic Nominee

State Senator Cindy Holscher

Cindy Holscher is a state senator representing District 8 in Johnson County. She served in the Kansas House from 2017 to 2020 before joining the Senate in 2021, where she currently serves as Senate Minority Whip.

Holscher is [campaigning](#) on a populist message and her “Common Sense Agenda” focused on **affordability** issues, expanding access to **healthcare**, and cutting property taxes.

She supports **legalizing** and taxing recreational and medicinal **marijuana**. If elected, she hopes to expand **telemedicine**, **mental health care**, and legalize fentanyl test strips to help prevent overdoses.

Holscher has called for a moratorium on new **data centers**—and tax incentives—until new guardrails are established for environmental protection and the water supply for local farms.

She advocates for **free school lunches** for every pupil in the public school system. She pledges to fully fund schools and meet the state’s **special education funding** commitments.

The Cook Political Report and the Center for Politics Sabato’s Crystal Ball rate this race as Leans Republican.

Trivia: Before entering politics, Holscher worked for Sprint, where she managed budgets larger than the state budget.