



Political Platform of the New Whig Party

The New Whigs

The New Whigs are a centrist political party formed in June of 2023. We seek to provide a third option for those tired of choosing between two opposition parties that have been co-opted by their extreme and vocal minority factions.

Our Platform

At our essence, the New Whigs believe in democratic government with a strong Congress, good sense and good faith policymaking, and an acceptance of modernity in technology and innovation. We believe that the primary functions of government are to keep order and promote prosperity. Specifically, we support and pursue free trade, keeping American jobs, supporting American innovation, a limitation of executive power, educational reform, keeping American troops at home, a laissez faire tolerance in all society, and simplified tax reform.

1. Free trade

The New Whigs support international commerce with minimal protectionism, because we know that global trade keeps America free and prosperous. Gone are the days of Smoot-Hawley protectionism, and we must recognize that free trade makes America richer and promotes democracy abroad.

2. American jobs and innovation

The New Whigs support incentives for keeping American jobs, like tax abatements for adding or keeping jobs in America. Although we are distinctly opposed to negative protectionism, such as imposing stiff tariffs, we support positive incentives to keep American jobs at home.

Additionally, we are in favor of subsidizing American innovation to create new products and jobs in sectors like technology and agriculture. As a result, we support streamlining the process for patent application and resolution. The current, antiquated version of patent control rewards big corporations and patent “trolls” to occupy the field, stymying innovation and wreaking havoc in the courts and Patent Office, while being systematically disadvantaged in adjudicating and protecting patents on new technologies like software, algorithms, and AI models. The New Whigs support a modern system for a modern time.

3. Limitation of executive power

The New Whigs believe that responsible governance comes from popular support and that legislation should carry the seal of approval of the people’s elected representatives. To



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that end, we believe that the power of executive orders and agencies should be clearly circumscribed by law to prevent executive legislation. Clearly defined limitations on executive orders and agency prerogatives should originate with the Congress and not rely on judicial precedent. In this way, we intend to reduce systemic uncertainty and strain on the courts by removing the ambiguity in executive action.

4. Educational reform

To maintain America's standing in the world, we should consistently iterate and update curricula so that American students continue to be the best and brightest. The New Whigs believe in a national curriculum of science, mathematics, and technology, as well as history and the humanities.

Separately, the New Whigs believe in devolved administration of education, so that states, teachers, and parents are able to pursue these topics in the ways that make the most sense for them. A national assessment of hard facts will ensure the system is fair and effective while not infringing on education with nationally mandated instructional methodology.

5. Limited foreign hard power projection

For too long has America wasted the lives of its sons and daughters, to say nothing of endless amounts of money, on conflicts beyond our borders. The New Whigs strive to support the soft power projection of American ideals and values in a peaceful and economically positive way, while utilizing military intervention only when America is clearly and directly threatened.

To this end, while we find defensive alliances to be beneficial, the military engagements around the world in aim of deposing governments or resource extraction which have typified the late 20th and early 21st centuries must cease.

6. Good sense social toleration

The New Whigs believe that adults are the base unit of determination and should be able to make their own choices by virtue of their individual liberty. Laws should not abridge or abrogate social or religious sentiments, including mode of worship, nature of beliefs, or sexual orientation; nor should they impinge or curtail liberties on the basis of race or gender.

7. Tax reform

The New Whigs earnestly believe that one's tax obligation should not be codified in an arcane and outdated system full of special interest carveouts and loopholes. We support



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simplifying the personal tax code, closing loopholes, removing pork carveouts, and reform to incentivize corporate innovation and domestic workforce retention.

8. Good Sense Immigration Policy

We recognize that America is a melting pot of rich cultural and ethnic backgrounds, but we remain committed to enforcing border security. The New Whigs support strengthening our border protection while streamlining the residency process to support those who wish to work in the United States legally, simultaneously strengthening the American economy.

The New Whigs also support an acreage cap on non-citizens and companies headquartered or owned by companies headquartered in a foreign country, to protect American farmers from unfair, foreign state-backed competition.

9. Protecting Medicare and Social Security

The New Whigs vow to protect and preserve Medicare and Social Security, so Americans continue to benefit from a system they earned and supported with their money throughout their adult lives.

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