



AAUW-Virginia Legislative & Policy Priorities for 2024

Equality, Individual Rights, and Social Justice

- Reproductive rights
 - Advocate for reproductive rights autonomy including the right of individuals to make decisions on abortion care
 - Advocate for a reproductive rights Virginia Constitutional amendment
- Maternal health
 - Support legislation that requires unconscious (implicit) bias training as license requirement for health care professionals
 - Support other initiatives for maternal health care equity
- Marriage rights
 - Support protection of same sex marriage, including a Virginia Constitutional amendment
- Voting rights
 - Support a Virginia Constitutional amendment that would ensure automatic restoration rights for convicted felons who have completed their sentences
- Public meeting access
 - Support legislation to permit virtual meetings for non-elective public bodies

Economic Security

- Paid Family & Medical Leave
 - Advocate for Paid Family & Medical Leave bill
- Paid Sick Days
 - Support the Paid Sick Days (PSD) coalition agenda
- Workplace equity
 - Advocate for a salary history ban covering all employers
 - Support legislative initiatives from other organizations that champion workplace equity
- Childcare
 - Support Virginia Promise Partnership legislative agenda (link when available)
- Minimum wage
 - Support reenactment of minimum wage legislation to bring Virginia to \$15/hour

Education

- Public school funding
 - Oppose diversion of public K-12 funding
 - Support the Fund Our Schools (FOS) coalition agenda
- Post-secondary education
 - Advocate for adequate and equitable funding of Virginia colleges and universities
- Gender equity
 - Advocate for the rights of girls and women to equity in STEM programs and sports