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*"You've heard a lot about my husband.  
Here's the truth..."*

*Susan Allen*





*“As Governor, George Allen increased spending for public education by a record \$2 billion. At the same time, he balanced the state budget, and lowered taxes on Virginia families.”*

*Susan Allen*

### *The George Allen Record*

#### **Increased Funding for Education**

Governor Allen achieved the largest increases ever in funding for Kindergarten through 12th grade and higher education – and linked that investment with honest academic reform.

#### **Deductions for Prepaid Tuition**

Governor Allen provided a \$2,000 per year tax deduction for the purchase of prepaid tuition contracts to help parents save for their children's higher education.

#### **Tuition Freeze at State Colleges and Universities**

Governor Allen halted the double-digit increases in Virginia college tuition costs and helped keep college affordable for Virginia's students and their families.

#### **Car Tax Repeal**

Governor Allen provided \$260 million in his final budget for the first installment of Governor Gilmore's car tax cut.

# The George Allen Plan

## *Better Schools, Lower Taxes, Protecting Social Security*

### **A \$1,000 Tax Credit for Educational Expenses**

George Allen supports an Education Opportunity Tax Credit which provides working parents with a \$1,000 tax credit per child to help pay for educational expenses other than tuition.

### **Smaller Class Sizes**

The George Allen Champion Schools Agenda creates a "Teachers for America" fund to hire as many as 160,000 new qualified teachers to reduce the size of classrooms – an approach similar to his efforts as Governor.

### **Early Focus on Reading**

George Allen proposes to establish an early reading initiative to identify kindergarten and first grade students who need help with their reading skills and provide them with extra help and individualized assistance.

### **Long-Term Care Insurance Deductions**

To help Americans take care of their future health care needs – such as long-term health care and assisted living – George Allen proposes a 100% tax deduction for long-term care insurance premiums. George Allen also supports an additional personal tax exemption for families who care for aging family members.

### **Eliminate the Marriage Penalty**

George Allen will work to fix the marriage tax penalty so young families may begin to build their futures without added, unfair government burdens. By revising the tax code so that married, dual-income families do not pay more than unmarried couples, the George Allen Plan will save the average married couple \$1,400 per year.

### **Oppose All Tax Increases**

As Governor, George Allen opposed all tax increases and actually cut taxes for Virginia's families. George Allen opposes all tax increases – including increases in your income taxes and gasoline taxes.

### **Protect Social Security**

In his first year in office George Allen repealed the Virginia tax on Social Security benefits. Now, George Allen has a plan to put the Social Security Trust Fund in a "lock box" to protect the future benefits of Virginia's senior citizens.

### **Provide Affordable Prescription Drug Coverage**

George Allen supports extending Medicare coverage to provide prescription drug coverage to Virginia's seniors. The Allen plan gives senior citizens a variety of prescription drug options, but will not force them into a one-size-fits-all government-run plan.





## **The Chuck Robb Record**

### ***Huge Cuts for Our Children's Schools:***

#### **SUPPORTED A \$22.7 MILLION CUT FROM VIRGINIA'S PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

"The House's budget vote was unanimous and...put back all of the \$22.7 million in aid to public schools that Robb wanted to cut..." *The Washington Post* 2/11/83

#### **SUPPORTED A \$53 MILLION CUT FROM SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION**

"[Governor Robb] proposed taking \$53 million for a state fund that helps finance school construction and using the money to close the budget gap." *The Washington Post* 1/13/83

### ***Big Tax Increases for Our Families:***

#### **PROPOSED A 50¢ PER GALLON GASOLINE TAX HIKE**

Chuck Robb personally authored and introduced legislation to impose a 50 cent per gallon increase in the federal gasoline tax (Senate Bill 1068) in the U.S. Senate. His bill would have meant an additional \$1,040 in taxes for the average Virginia family, and not one penny was earmarked for transportation.

#### **FOR HIGHER TAXES ON SENIOR CITIZENS**

Chuck Robb voted to impose higher taxes on senior citizens with fixed incomes as low as \$25,000. (CQ Vote #57 3/24/93)

#### **AGAINST A MIDDLE-CLASS TAX CUT**

Chuck Robb was one of only eight senators to vote against the middle class tax cut legislation that President Clinton supported and signed into law. (CQ Vote #211: motion agreed to 7/31/97)

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