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PC-SA

POLITICAL CANDIDATE

Self Assessment



The Political Candidate Self Assessment (PC-SA) will help anyone interested in running for political office to identify their strengths and skills deficits relative to those of successful politicians. The PC-SA measures political skills in four key dimensions which research has shown are vitally important to voters, winning at the ballot box and working effectively with others once in elected office.

The PC-SA includes a series of questions for you to answer. Be sure to answer every question honestly without overthinking the answer. This assessment is for you to assess your strengths and any areas for further development. It is not intended to be used as screening tool or to discourage interested candidates from running for office.

After answering the questions, you'll be asked to tabulate your score for each dimension. An interpretation of your score is provided along with suggestions for further development. The total score of all dimensions will provide your overall political skills score.

Part II of this assessment helps you to better understand your political typology and alignment with Republican party values.

When you're ready, scroll down to begin

STEP 1 Measure your political skills

Instructions: Rate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements. Use the rating scale below record your answer for each question in the rating column. Be sure to answer every question.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
1	2	3	4	5
1. I spend a lot of time and effort networking with others				<input type="checkbox"/>
2. I make people feel comfortable and at ease.				<input type="checkbox"/>
3. I communicate easily and effectively with others.				<input type="checkbox"/>
4. It's easy for me to develop good rapport with most people.				<input type="checkbox"/>
5. I understand people very well.				<input type="checkbox"/>
6. I'm good at building relationships with influential people.				<input type="checkbox"/>
7. I'm particularly good at sensing the motivations and hidden agendas of others.				<input type="checkbox"/>
8. When communicating with other, I try to be genuine in what I say and do.				<input type="checkbox"/>
9. I've got a large network of people to support me to get things done.				<input type="checkbox"/>
10. I know a lot of important people and I'm well connected.				<input type="checkbox"/>
11. I spend a lot of time developing connections with others.				<input type="checkbox"/>
12. I am good at getting people to like me.				<input type="checkbox"/>
13. It's important to me that people believe I'm sincere in what I say and do.				<input type="checkbox"/>
14. I show a genuine interest in other people.				<input type="checkbox"/>
15. I'm good at using connections in my network to make things happen.				<input type="checkbox"/>
16. I've got good intuition and sense about how to present myself to others.				<input type="checkbox"/>
17. I instinctively know the right things to say and do to influence other.				<input type="checkbox"/>

STEP 2

Tabulate Your Score

Total questions 5, 7, 16, 17, and 18 and divide the total by 5. Place your resulting score in square 1. This is your *social astuteness* score.

1

Total questions 2, 3, 4, and 12 and divide the total by 4. Place your resulting score in square 2. This is your *personal influence* score.

2

Total questions 1, 6, 9, 10, 11, and 15 and then divide by 6 then place your resulting score in square 3. This is your *networking* score.

3

Total questions 8, 13, 14 and divide by 6 then place your resulting score in square 4. This is your total *sincerity* score.

4

Total the boxes 1-4 and divide by 4. This is your total political skills score.

Interpret your Results

1

Social Astuteness is your ability to understand others, their motivations and hidden agendas, and intuitively know to how to respond to people and situations.

2

Interpersonal Influence is your ability to be likable, make others feel at ease, communicate effectively and build rapport with others.

3

Networking is your ability to easily connect with others especially influential people to advance your goals and agenda.

4

Sincerity is your ability to be genuinely interested in other people and project authenticity.

Dimension & Total Scores

5 = Highly competent

4 = Above Average

3 = Average

1-2 = Needs development

PART II Identify your political typology

Instructions:

In this section, you'll be asked a series of questions to determine your political typology. Knowing your political typology will help you become more aware of where you fit on a scale from core conservative to liberal and how well your values line up with those of the Republican Party. Your score will be compared to a nationally representative survey of more than 5,000 U.S. adults by Pew Research Center.

You may find that some of the questions are difficult to answer, for example you may partly agree with both statements or feel that neither quite describes your view. That's okay. In those circumstances just pick the answer that comes closest to your view most of the time.

At the end of the quiz you'll be provided with your political typology identifier and interpretation. Be sure to write down your results, because you'll be asked to record them on this form as well as on the Candidate Readiness Questionnaire.

When you're ready to begin, take the quiz by clicking [here](#).

When finished navigate back to this form and record your typology.

- Core Conservative
- Country First Conservative
- Market Skeptic Republican
- New Era Enterpriser
- None of the above. Enter your type here. _____



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