

Progressive Framingham/MetroWest 2023 Municipal Candidate Questionnaire

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What would be your top three priorities if elected to serve?

Advancing the District's Equity Based Strategic Plan (New PreK-5 School, Employee Retention/Recruitment, Post-Pandemic Recovery for All Kids, & more)

Energy Efficiency Projects

Transformational New Improvements to Yellow Bus Transportation

What is the one policy you've seen pioneered in another city that you'd most like to see adopted in Framingham?

Shifting from contracting out yellow bus transportation with little control, to government run and government controlled yellow bus transportation. See Brockton & Worcester examples.

1. Do you support universal pre-kindergarten and kindergarten programs in Framingham? (Y/N)

YES.

2. Do you support statewide universal free breakfast and lunch for all students? (Y/N)

YES.

3. Do you support the inclusion of themes such as racial justice and the history of racism and inequity in school curricula? (Y/N)

YES.

4. Do you support strong professional qualifications and higher compensation for classroom teachers to ensure teacher quality? (Y/N)

YES.

5. Do you support the right of workers including public school teachers to organize, bargain collectively, and in extreme circumstances to take labor action including striking?

Yes to all, except I am aligned with the Governor's views on how detrimental allowing strikes could be to children and families. Source: https://www.bostonglobe.com/2023/02/06/metro/governor-healey-opposes-legalizing-teacher-strikes-says-kids-need-be-schools/

6. Do you believe that Massachusetts should evaluate the MCAS assessment system and consider potential reductions to the number and length of exams? (Y/N)

YES.

7. Do you support a careful examination of the role of school resource officers (SRO) in Metrowest schools in the context of potential psychological harm done to students of color? (Y/N)

YES.

8. Do you support significant increases in statewide funding for school construction and repair? (Y/N)

YES.

9. Do you support in-state tuition and financial access to undocumented children living in Massachusetts? (Y/N)

YES.

10. Do you believe that physical education and arts education are essential parts of schooling? (Y/N)

YES.

11. Do you agree that masking and vaccination were appropriate public health measures to limit the spread of covid-19 in our schools? (Y/N)

YES.

12. Do you support the LGBTQ+ inclusive, medically accurate and developmentally- and age-appropriate <u>Comprehensive Health and Physical Education Curriculum Framework</u> recently proposed by the Healey-Driscoll administration? (Y/N)

YES.

Any other comments or questions?

Thank you for the opportunity to provide answers.