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Local Candidate Questionnaire

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1) PERSONAL CONTACT INFORMATION

Your name as it will appear on the ballot

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County (NOT country, do not enter USA)

United States

State

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Zip

28166

Is this your first time running for office?

No- I've run for another elected position before

Campaign Website

https://www.youtube.com/@Ltrs2dappl

Campaign Social Media Link

https://www.instagram.com/letters2dappl/

Upload a headshot here (we will use this to publicize endorsements)

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Have you accessed our school board Campaign Kit at momsforliberty.org/candidates? (If you have not, we strongly recommend checking it out to help you run a more effective campaign)

Yes

2) ELECTION INFORMATION

Name of School District (no abbreviations please)

Iredell Statesville School District

Position Title (Ex: Trustee, Director, School Board Member)

School Board

How is your position elected?

Single Member District- not all voters in the school district can vote for you

If you selected "single member district" above, please enter the district/seat/region number for your race.

District 2

PRIMARY ELECTION- If you have a primary, enter the date of that election here.

2024-03-05

GENERAL ELECTION- Enter the date of your general election here.

2024-11-07

Is your race partisan or non-partisan? Partisan
Do the boundaries of your election cross over into another county? No
If the boundaries of your race cross over into another county, tell us which county here:
Are you running against an incumbent or in an open seat? This is an open seat without an incumbent
How many candidates will your voters be able to vote for in your race? 1
Are you running as a slate (in partnership) with other candidates for the same district? No
If you selected "yes" to the slate question above, tell us the name(s) of your slate members.
What is the deadline to file or qualify to be on the ballot in your race? 2024-12-15
If mail ballot voting is permitted in your race, when do mail ballots go out? 2024-01-09
If early voting is permitted in your race, when does it begin? 2024-02-15
Are you a write-in candidate? No
3) STANCES
I have read and agree with all stance statements and commit to taking the Parent Pledge. I understand that submitting this form acts as a virtual signature. Yes
I agree to this commitment True

4) SUPPORT OR OPPOSE

Teaching minors that they can change their gender

Oppose

 $\label{lem:comphrehensive} \textbf{Comphrehensive Sexual Education and sexually explicit content in school libraries}$

Oppose

Critical Race Theory and the idea that America is systemically racist

Oppose

Marxism, socialism, and/or communism

Oppose

Woke Social Emotional Learning

Oppose

5) SHORT ANSWER

Why are you running? Why should voters choose you? Tell us about your background and why you are qualified for this office.

I am running as a Christian Conservative who has an investment in our local public schools where my daughters attend, as well as children from my family and friends. I have a strong desire to be on the school board to advocate for parental rights in education, and for policy that is shaped according to the needs of students while keeping their best interests in mind. I believe conservative values are what bring about successful policy both in schools and in the public sector. Having obtained my master's degree in public policy, I am qualified for this position due to the education and experience I now possess through hands on professional learning and in depth statistical and qualitative research. While developing my research study on the homelessness crisis in Iredell County, I was able to research the McKinney Vento student population at East Iredell Elementary School (students facing homelessness and displacement) through a qualitative analysis to better understand their struggles in education due to their personal circumstances, and what the school's policies are to enhance their learning experience and provide the proper resources for their success in education. I am a volunteer and advocate in the schools each week as a mentor for the Pregnancy Resource Organization Truth Girlz. This organization is an after-school program that teaches middle and high school girls what it is to grow up and into a young woman through biblical truths and provides a loving and safe space for girls to express their hearts and ask the hard questions. As someone with a vested interest in the schools, voters should feel confident in choosing me as their representative on the school board as I want to see their students on a path to success where their passions and interest are cultivated and always kept at the forefront of shaping school board policy.

Tell us about your platform here. You are welcome to copy and paste from your website.

I am a Christian Conservative who believe fully in the bible from front to back, and who stands on moral biblical truths when it comes to the education of our children. I would like to see vocational studies and innovational studies for our children who are not interested in the college experience can be confident in pursuing their passions in training for the workforce that helps to perpetuate a successful economy. I believe the more we push for our children to find what it is that will drive them toward a successful future, the better our future outcomes in this country will be. Our children are not robots and should feel they are more than capable of thinking for themselves, and not being told what to think. This is why concepts such as diversity, equity, and inclusion that have been introduced to our students via socialist conceptual means will not work or been sustainable for the success of our student's futures. These concepts not only perpetuate confusion and divisiveness, but they are a distraction to the true learning and educational environments our students need to cultivate a better understanding of how the real world works without parroting something they have heard or learned from a leftist agenda meant to drive their future into the ground. Diversity id more than skin deep. I believe in equality of opportunities over equity of outcomes as you should not be allowed to take credit or funds from someone else who put in the work. I believe in the inclusion of and advocacy for students who face developmental delays, are homeless, or have IEPs to be a part of the mainstream class experience and feel co and welcome to learn in those environments. I believe in the advocacy for mental health awareness for all students without affirming what goes against creation or science. Sexually explicit materials as well as Sexually Explicit education have no place in our schools as all students are considered minors and policy has been in place to ensure that.

If you can only accomplish one thing from your platform once elected, what would you hope to accomplish?

I would like to accomplish being a voice for families in education as many parents have felt they do not have a seat at the table when it comes to policy that effects their students. The parents bill of rights is one such piece of legislation that I will continue to advocate for while on the board and ensure that schools in the district are abiding by the language presented in the bill. Parents should feel they have a right and a say in their child's education, medical care, and safety while attending public schools. Every child has a right to a public education, and I want to be a voice for any family that feels they are not being heard or respected in this area.

6) VIABILITY QUESTIONS

Have you knocked doors in your community? If so, how many do you plan on doing over the course of your campaign? Yes we have knocked on doors and will continue to do so up until election day. It would be wonderful to knock on at least 700 doors.

What is the current amount of funds you have raised for your campaign? Additionally, what is your anticipated fundraising goal? If available, please provide insights into the typical cost of a campaign in your area.

So far, I have raised \$2000 for my campaign. I am currently having a fundraiser in order to send out a mailer to a good majority of the voters in my district so that they may get to know me, my qualifications, and why I am the best candidate to vote for. My anticipated fundraising goal is \$4000.

How many volunteers do you have helping you? Tell us a little about what you have volunteers doing and how you hope to recruit more. I have about 20 volunteers helping me! We are knocking doors to bring awareness to my campaign and that a vote is coming up. We are putting out yard signs and big 4x8 signs after placing decals on my old commissioner campaign signs. I am hoping to have a mailer assembly meeting to put together my mailer and send out to the voters. We will be electioneering during early voting and election day.

What other endorsements have you received or are you seeking? Please include teachers unions, PACs, political parties, notable community members, and more.

I have received endorsements from NC Values and BlacPac.

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