

NASB State Board Candidate Questionnaire 2024



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1. **Local Control** - With so many decisions from the legislature impacting local boards, NASB is interested in your view of local control. Regarding education, what decisions do you feel are best made at the school board level vs. the State level?

I support local control but when local officials show that they have little or no regard for tax payers there may be the need for guard rails.

2. **School Funding** - Every year the legislature makes decisions about the way schools are funded, making predictability of funding a challenge. What changes and/or adjustments, if any, do you think the Legislature should address?

I would like to see a system that doesn't favor urban schools over rural schools. There needs to be system that will put all schools on a more equal footing.

3. **Role of Education in the State** - What role do you think PK-12 Education plays in the future success of the State and your community?

Educating the youth in our state plays a vital role and is key to the success of not only this state but society.

4. **Educational Workforce** - Educational workforce continues to be a challenge across the State from teachers to bus drivers. What would be your plan to address this challenge?

This really became an issue during Covid when society decided to label workers essential or nonessential and pay people to sit at home. We are still feeling the effect in all areas of society. The work environment needs to be a positive place to work with fair compensation and benefits.

5. **Mandates** - School districts continue to be challenged by the increasing unfunded mandates put upon them by the State and Federal government. What is your response to mandates and the State's role in them?

I am against all forms of wasteful spending on all levels of government. If a mandate cannot be funded it shouldn't be mandated.

Final Thoughts

We need good public and private schools in this state and I support both. There isn't a one size fits all for education and students and parents need choices. The future of our state depends quality education.

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