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Q1

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Q2

Office you are seeking (e.g. House, Senate, Governor):

House

Q3

Legislative District (e.g. Chittenden, Senate, Addison-1):

Chittenden

Q4

No

Incumbent (select one):

Q5

Yes

Would you be interested in visiting a school in your district and meeting with local educators?

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Q6

Agree

On resisting austerity, do you

Q7

Yes

Do you wish to sponsor legislation on resisting austerity?

Q8

Anything you want to add on resisting austerity?

One of my key focus points is that we need a strategic economic plan - not an annual budget process. We know that during times like now, the government must invest - not cut.

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Q9

Agree

On institutional racism, do you

Q10

Anything you want to add on institutional racism?

Yes - besides law enforcement and criminal justice reform, we also need to revisit access to capital and teach the truth of 400 years of systemic racism throughout society. We require sexual harassment trainings - we must also require racial justice trainings.

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Q11

Don't Know

On community schools, do you

Q12

Yes

Do you wish to sponsor legislation establishing community schools?

Q13

Anything you want to add on community schools?

I answered "I don't know" because I think we ask so much of our schools and educators. As an initial approach, yes, we must meet people where they are at to ensure they have the services they need. However, I think asking more and more of our educators and school systems without additional funding or support is not sustainable.

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Q14

Agree

On universal school meals, do you

Q15

Yes

Do you wish to sponsor legislation on universal school meals?

Q16

Anything you want to add on universal school meals?

Similar to the last question - I support universal school meals because a hungry child is a child who cannot focus and learn. But I also think we must address the other issues in our society like a liveable wage so that families can afford to feed their children. All of these issues cannot be answered solely by our schools and school communities.

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Q17

Agree

On student and staff safety, do you

Q18

Yes

Do you wish to sponsor legislation on student and staff safety?

Q19

Anything you want to add on student and staff safety?

Only that I can't believe we don't do this already!

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Q20

Agree

On para-educators, do you

Q21

Yes

Do you wish to sponsor legislation on para-educators?

Q22

Anything you want to add on para-educators?

I have seen first hand what happens when we cut para-educators at my 10 year old daughters elementary school.

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Q23

Don't Know

On school finance, do you

Q24

Yes

Do you wish to sponsor legislation on school finance?

Q25

Anything you want to add on school finance?

I answered "Don't Know" because I would prefer to revisit our approach to taxes not just from the school finance perspective, but from a broader view that also looks at other needs and approaches to taxing.

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Q26

Agree

On public funded and provided Pre-K, do you

Q27

Yes

Do you wish to sponsor legislation on public funded and provided Pre-K?

Q28

Anything you want to add on public funded and provided Pre-K?

The research is clear - missing the Pre-K years means children struggle for years. We offer high school students support to try to "catch up", but this doesn't make up for the earlier lost years.

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Q29

Agree

On health reform, do you

Q30

Yes

Do you wish to sponsor legislation on health care reform?

Q31

Anything you want to add on health care reform?

Medicare works! We must lower the age for it and we must shift away from a fee-for-service model.

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Q32 **Agree**

On the right to strike, do you

Q33

Anything you want to add on the right to strike?

We should all have this right.

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Q34 **Agree**

On teachers rights and professional growth, do you

Q35 **Yes**

Do you wish to sponsor legislation on teachers right and professional growth?

Q36

Anything you want to add on teachers right and professional growth?

I am surprised by the requirement to access permission - I hadn't know about that. Thank you for bringing this to my attention.

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Q37 **Don't Know**

On retirement security for teachers, do you

Q38

Anything you want to add on retirement security for teachers?

I answered I don't know not because I don't support retirement security (I do) - but because I would want to delve into the details more fully to understand this as I should.

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Q39 **Don't Know**

On good cause employment, do you

Q40

No

Do you wish to sponsor legislation on good cause employment?

Q41

Anything you want to add on good cause employment?

Similar to the last question - I would like to research this more to truly understand the outcome of shifting to good cause.
