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**Q1**

Candidate Information

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**Q2**

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

Vermont House Representative

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**Q3**

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

Caledonia - 3, St. Johnsbury

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**Q4**

**Yes**

Incumbent (select one):

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**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

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**Q7**

**No**

Do you wish to sponsor legislation on resisting austerity?

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**Q8**

Anything you want to add on resisting austerity?

I support allowing questions over austerity to be determined at the local level by educators, school district boards, parents, and taxpayers.

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**Q9**

**Agree**

On institutional racism, do you

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**Q10**

Anything you want to add on institutional racism?

No.

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**Q11**

**Agree**

On community schools, do you

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**Q12**

**No**

Do you wish to sponsor legislation establishing community schools?

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**Q13**

Anything you want to add on community schools?

Schools need to be resourced so that students are prepared to learn.

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**Q14**

**Agree**

On universal school meals, do you

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**Q15**

**No**

Do you wish to sponsor legislation on universal school meals?

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**Q16**

Anything you want to add on universal school meals?

I encourage every school district to provide universal meals to all students. My district does this and it works well.

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**Q17**

**Agree**

On student and staff safety, do you

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**Q18**

**No**

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

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**Q19**

Anything you want to add on student and staff safety?

Students and staff deserve to be safe in Vermont schools.

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**Q20**

**Agree**

On para-educators, do you

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**Q21**

**No**

Do you wish to sponsor legislation on para-educators?

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**Q22**

Anything you want to add on para-educators?

Our para-educators should be highly trained, especially since in many cases they are dealing with difficult situations.

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**Q23**

**Disagree**

On school finance, do you

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**Q24**

**Yes**

Do you wish to sponsor legislation on school finance?

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**Q25**

Anything you want to add on school finance?

Vermont has an excellent education finance system with two significant flaws. Vermont's pupil weighting system needs to be addressed so that our kids suffering socio-economic stress are better resourced. Districts deserve a rate that is more closely connected to their spending decision. We cannot continue to subsidize the rate of high spending districts at the expense of low spending districts.

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**Q26**

**Disagree**

On public funded and provided Pre-K, do you

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**Q27**

**No**

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

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**Q28**

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

Vermont's current Universal Pre-K system should be eliminated and a new one should be created from scratch.

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**Q29**

**Don't Know**

On health reform, do you

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**Q30**

**No**

Do you wish to sponsor legislation on health care reform?

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**Q31**

Anything you want to add on health care reform?

Vermont has no business pursuing a state universal health care system. I hope we won't waste anymore time trying to implement this at the state level.

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**Q32**

**Agree**

On the right to strike, do you

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**Q33**

Anything you want to add on the right to strike?

I support current law, which allows educators a right to strike. I wish we could move to a system like NH where strikes AND imposition are not allowed. I think this would lead to healthier relationships between educators and taxpayers.

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**Q34**

**Agree**

On teachers rights and professional growth, do you

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**Q35**

**No**

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

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**Q36**

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

Mobility in all professions is terribly important.

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**Q37**

**Agree**

On retirement security for teachers, do you

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**Q38**

Anything you want to add on retirement security for teachers?

The State needs to acknowledge the massive (\$5.6B) unfunded liability in its teacher and state employee pension funds and develop a plan to address it and the underlying structural problem.

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**Q39**

**Agree**

On good cause employment, do you

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**Q40**

**No**

Do you wish to sponsor legislation on good cause employment?

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**Q41**

Anything you want to add on good cause employment?

No.

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