

## **Dakota Drouillard: EPSB Trustee Candidate, Ward B**

1. Do you agree with calls to scrap the draft curriculum and start over to develop a curriculum that is accurate in capturing Alberta's colonial history, diverse present, and modernized to reflect the world we live in?

I agree that the proposed K-6 curriculum needs to be halted and redrafted. The need for experts who are current and active in the fields of education in Alberta who will listen to the public feedback provided from is necessary for ensuring relevancy and quality to our current curriculum needs.

### **Funding:**

2. Do you believe the current education funding formula is sufficient for your district? If not, how will you work to convince the province to provide sustainable and adequate funding?

The current funding model has proven to not be sufficient for the growing needs of our education system and students that it serves. I will be proposing and increase in funding that will reduce future societal costs. My health perspective in addressing social determinants of health in combination with our schools unites multiple areas where the stress of societal costs in the future will be decreased due to improved health and well-being. Education and health are not separate issues as health is an outcome of quality education.

### **Privatization including P3s:**

3. Will you oppose privatization of school services and infrastructure, including Public-Private-Partnerships aka P3s? Will you support bringing previously privatized services in-house?

My first priority is to serve the educational needs of our children and students first and foremost. Due to the nature of privatizing services, decreasing or creating less security in work place for a parent of a student is an issue. So, I will be focused on ensuring that many aspects of ensuring equitable education and opportunities for children, including in their home life is maintained or bettered.

### **Schools as Employers:**

4. Will you support your employees and your community by ensuring the school board employs staff with living wages, full-time hours where desired, job security, and collective bargaining rights?

Yes.

5. Will you oppose attempts from the provincial government to legislate against school staff including cuts to the Local Authorities Pension Plan, or restrictions on their right to strike?

I do not agree with any government that attempts to restrict any rights on advocating for the rights on an individual's profession or employment or make changes, including cuts to lively hood be it present or future, such as the LAPP.

**COVID Safety:**

6. Do you support measures such as mask mandates, and vaccine mandates for staff to limit and reduce the spread of COVID-19 in your schools?

Yes, I agree that prevention is the best health measure to ensure safety. Masking, cohorts and vaccines will reduce uncontrollable outbreaks and public health service collapse.