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Public Schools First NC

Education Position Questionnaire

Item #	No	Yes	MY POSITION FOR NC (OR FOR MY DISTRICT if I'm running for local office)
1		✓	I SUPPORT raising per pupil funding for all public schools to at least the national average and I support fully funding LEANDRO.
2		✓	I SUPPORT raising pay for public school teachers to at least the national average and reinstating master's and other relevant advanced degree pay. Furthermore, I SUPPORT additional pay for teachers who achieve nationally recognized certifications and pay for teachers who take on additional duties and responsibilities (such as coaching or tutoring after school). <u>Yes!</u>
3		✓	I SUPPORT increasing the numbers of school counselors, school psychologists, school social workers, and school nurses for all public schools to at least the recommended national ratios per pupil.
4		✓	I SUPPORT providing full public funding for pre-K for all eligible children in North Carolina.
5		✓	I SUPPORT providing full funding for K-5 enhancement teachers for art, music, physical education, and world languages.

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6		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	I SUPPORT increasing per pupil funding for textbooks and other instructional resources (digital and hard copies), supplies, etc. to at least pre-recession levels.
7		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	I SUPPORT programs that have been demonstrated to reduce the achievement gaps for economically disadvantaged students, including programs to improve public school equity, integration, and inclusion.
8		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	I SUPPORT fair and equitable evaluation of teachers and schools using a variety of metrics for student and teacher performance, not just standardized test scores.
9		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	I SUPPORT phasing out school vouchers for private schools, and ensuring that existing private schools receiving public voucher funds meet the same accountability and performance standards as public schools.
10		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	I SUPPORT a moratorium on new charter schools until stronger accountability standards and better authorization mechanisms are implemented; including empowering local school boards with the ability to create charters and keep them under their governance.

To lift children out of poverty and to encourage children to be all they can be, we need quality education for all. And we need to value our teachers.

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