



## School Board Member Candidate Survey: 2023

Additional comments provided by: **Ashley Custer**

***Question 4: Meeting the mental health and social/emotional needs of our students is paramount to their academic and lifetime success. This requires funds from the school budget, such as hiring school psychologists and social workers. Do you agree or disagree that school district funds should be among the funds used to address students' mental health needs?***

“Question 4 - I feel that both the state and federal governments need to raise the subsidies earmarked for SEL and other health issues that our children face. Many district budgets are spread too thin to properly financially address mental health concerns. Additional help from both state and federal funds are much needed.”

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