

Dane Dems Endorsement Questionnaire

Thank you for seeking an endorsement from the Dane County Democratic Party. **This questionnaire is due by no later than Friday, January 24, at 11:59 PM.**

You do not need to answer all of the questions below, but please answer all of the ones you feel are pertinent to your campaign and mark the questions you do not feel are pertinent N/A. We will ask more detailed questions and followups during our interview, if we choose to have one, so feel free to answer these questions as briefly or thoroughly as you desire.

These answers will be shared in full with our membership before they vote on your endorsement.

Email *

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Candidate name *

Heather Murray

Position you are running for (include municipality) *

Village of Waunakee School Board Seat

Campaign website

Heather Murray for Waunakee School Board-Facebook Page

Professional Experience *

I have owned Arthouse Preschool in Waunakee for the past 18 years. I am a current NAEYC and WECA member.

Political/Service Experience *

I have volunteered for several campaigns. The past two years I have been advocating and organizing efforts around state and national investment in Early Education.

Why are you running for this seat? *

I believe local government matters now more than ever in the state of Wisconsin. I in education. I am a teacher first. I also have a disabled son so I know what it is like to parent a try in the public school system that doesn't fit into a typical box. I am a twenty year resident of Waunakee and I am deeply involved in this community.

What are the three most important issues in your race? *

1. Funding for public schools 2. Teacher Retention. 3. Making sure every child succeeds within our school system.

What are the largest environmental concerns you aim to deal with in office?

NA

How will you use your position to create more equitable opportunities and help those living in poverty?

No matter what their economic status, I will always support all children and their families to make sure they feel successful at school and within the communities.

What will you do to address racial inequality, promote restorative justice, and/or address racially biased policing?

I will support the DEI initiative that has been started in Waunakee.

How will you improve the public health of our community in your position?

NA

What are the largest transportation issues you wish to work on and how will you address them?

NA

How have you elevated diverse voices in government and public discourse? How would you continue to do so if elected to this office?

I have spent my whole life advocating for children and families within my community. I have also been trained by Partners in Policymaking through the state of Wisconsin to advocate for people with disabilities. I believe we need inclusive and equitable communities for everyone to thrive. I would use this board seat to keep advancing voices that might not otherwise get heard (people with disabilities, LGBTQ+, and the BIPOC communities)

Any other issues/topics you wish to discuss?

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