

2022 Legislative Candidate Questionnaire



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1. Do you have a personal connection or professional experience with someone who has a intellectual/developmental disability (IDD), and if so, would you describe its impact on you? If not, what impact do you want to have for people with IDD and their families?

Chris Brandt from At Work! has been an influential mentor on IDD issues for me. We met at the Kiwanis Club of Issaquah, where I served as Treasurer and Executive Board Member. We created an Aktion Club in partnership with At Work! that has been a fantastic opportunity for our entire service club to get to know people with IDD and their families better.

2. What are your top three priorities and how would you ensure people with developmental disabilities and their families are included in them?

1. Ensure people with IDD enjoy the same basic legal, civil, and human rights as other citizens;
2. Are fully informed about state and federal opportunities and options, understand the risks associated with the options, and are allowed to take risks inherent in the options they choose; and
3. Receive appropriate support to live in a healthy and safe environment.

3. If cuts became necessary due to a recession or economic downturn, how would you protect services that people with IDD and their families need?

As one of the lead negotiators of the McCleary school funding remedy and co-chair of the Joint Select Committee on Article IX Litigation, my goal would be to ensure funding is protected for IDD students and job placement programs under the "Paramount Duty" umbrella. This will ensure that programs serving those communities are the last cut during a recession or economic downturn.

4. Is there other information you'd like constituents with developmental disabilities and their family and friends to know?

I received an 2015 Outstanding Legislator award from the Community Employment Alliance.

For the past 3 years, I've also been a full-time Career and Technical Education teacher for the Bellevue School District, where I teach students with all types of disabilities and try to open up career opportunities for them.

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