



LOCAL NON-PARTISAN VOTER GUIDE GENERAL ELECTION

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WAYNE and WESTLAND

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF NORTHWEST WAYNE COUNTY

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Contested Races:

Michigan Senate. Districts 4,5
Michigan House of Representatives,
Districts 25, 26

Wayne County Executive
Wayne City Council - City of Wayne
Wayne-Westland Public School Board
Schoolcraft College Trustees

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US Senate
Michigan Supreme Court
Michigan Court of Appeals
Governing Boards of Michigan Universities
Two State Ballot Proposals

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Michigan Senate, District 4 - 4 Year Term
(District 4 includes Wayne)

VOTE FOR 1

CANDIDATES (Visit VOTE411.org for responses to additional questions)	Education: How do you evaluate Michigan's current education system in terms of quality, funding, the teacher work-force and standardized testing? What changes, if any, would you propose or support?	Environment/Energy: How would you approach ensuring energy reliability, consumer affordability, and environmental protection in Michigan?	Immigration: What is your position on due process, First Amendment, and Fourth Amendment rights for all Michigan residents, including noncitizens, and what changes, if any, would you support?
Darren Camilleri (D) Website: darrincamilleri.com Facebook: www.facebook.com/search/top?q=darrin%20camilleri Campaign Twitter Handle: @darrincamilleri Occupation / Current Position: State Senator Education: Kalamazoo College Qualifications and Experience: Former Educator	Michigan has made great progress in school funding, but too many students, educators, and districts still face unequal resources and staffing shortages. Michigan's schools have faced years of continued disinvestment and our reading test scores need to be improved. In my work as chair of the PreK-12 subcommittee I've supported continued investment in public schools, free breakfast and lunch, stronger teacher recruitment and retention, competitive pay, and expanded student mental health and career/technical education. I look forward to making our education system the best it can be.	I am for a smart grid, renewable energy, and accountability from utilities for any outages and excessive charges. I will continue to protect the Great Lakes, fight against toxic waste, and see that energy and infrastructure projects create good-paying jobs for Michiganders without rate increases.	All Michigan residents should be treated with dignity and receive due process, and protection from unreasonable searches and seizures. I oppose racial profiling and actions that undermine trust between our communities and local government. We need to ensure access to legal counsel, clear information about rights, and lawful procedures when state or local agencies interact with federal immigration enforcement.
Marcie Grzyacz (R)	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PULICATION	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PULICATION	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PULICATION
Beth Ann Socia (UST) Website: WWW.1776leadership.com Facebook: Www.facebook.com/Beth.Socia Occupation /Current Position: Retired Education: some college Qualifications and Experience: I've worked in Law Enforcement, Certified Nurses Assistant, Secretary, Matron and Stay at Home mom	Our current system has been going down hill for decades. I would get rid of common core and go back to phonics. Give parents the right to choose their child's education whether in public or private and whatever the school districts receive per child the parent gets to use for their private education. I would also DOGE every school to see where all the money is going and why our students are failing. Michigan is 45th in Education out of 50 states. That's horrible. This needs to be taken seriously.	Open pipeline 5 and DOGE DTE and CONSUMERS ENERGY. The last rate hike increase DTE gave their CEO's a million dollar salary increase a year. Not acceptable.	We must abide by the constitution and THE RULES OF LAW! We have a process when applying to become a US citizen and it must be applied the same to everyone!

Abbreviations used in this Voter Guide

D	Democratic Party
R	Republican Party
GRN	Green Party
LIB	Libertarian Party
NPA	No Party Affiliation
UST	US Taxpayers Party

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Walter Willis (WC) Website: www.workingclassfight.com Facebook: www.facebook.com/WCPMichigan Occupation / Current Position: Retired Electrician, 41 years Ford Motor Co. Education: skilled trades apprenticeship, Henry Ford College Qualifications and Experience: From picking cotton, to kitchen-helper, to the Specialty Foundry to electrician, I know about the lives of working class people	Not all districts are up to standards. Some do not have the materials they need. Many need more modern materials. And as far as college, you can be retired before paying off school loans. Children are our future. All schools should have high levels of funding for what the young people and the teachers need. Our tax money should be for high quality public education for all.	Utility bills shouldn't be so high and keep getting higher every year. They claim they are replacing old equipment and tree trimming, but there are still power outages. The way it is now, corporations are in the driver's seat. Their policies cause unreliable energy, high costs and pollution. When workers are in the driver's seat, we can produce the clean energy needed, at low costs, where there is no profit, and protect the environment, like by installing better filtration systems as one example.	Due process is not fairly done. The powers that be pick on immigrants, citizen and non-citizen, and other working class people. At this time, the rights of immigrants and anyone who protests these unfair practices, are under attack. We, with Working Class Party, are for full citizenship for all and against what is like a dictatorship in the streets, with ICE. And it will take a fight by ordinary people, like in Minneapolis, to guarantee our constitutional rights.

Unopposed (Uncontested) Races

Candidates on this list of Wayne County, Judicial and School Board races have no opposition on the ballot. Responses from those who answered the League's questionnaire can be found by visiting the online version of the Voter Guide at VOTE411.org.

- 18th District Court: 6 Year Term: 1 candidate running for 1 position
- Wayne Co. 3rd Circuit Court Judge: 6-Year Term. 16 candidates running for 16 positions
- Wayne Co. 3rd Circuit Court Judge Incumbent, Partial Term: 1 candidate running for 1 position
- Wayne Co. 3rd Circuit Court Judge, Non-Incumbent, 6 Year Term: 1 candidate running for 1 position
- Wayne County Judge of the Probate Court Non-Incumbent: 6 Year Term. 3 candidates running for 3 positions
- Schoolcraft College Partial Term: 1 candidate running for 1 position
- Livonia School District: 4-Year Term: 3 candidates running for 3 positions

Michigan Senate, District 5 - 4 Year Term
(District 5 includes Westland)

VOTE FOR 1

CANDIDATES (Visit VOTE411.org for responses to additional questions)	<u>Education:</u> How do you evaluate Michigan's current education system in terms of quality, funding, the teacher workforce and standardized testing? What changes, if any, would you propose or support?	<u>Environment/Energy:</u> How would you approach ensuring energy reliability, consumer affordability, and environmental protection in Michigan?	<u>Immigration:</u> What is your position on due process, First Amendment, and Fourth Amendment rights for all Michigan residents, including noncitizens, and what changes, if any, would you support?
Matt Koleszar (D) Website: mattformichigan.org Facebook: facebook.com/mattformichigan Campaign Twitter Handle: @mattformichigan Occupation/Current Position: State Representative, District 22 Education: Bachelor's of Arts in Secondary Education from SVSU. Masters in English Studies for Teachers from EMU Qualifications and Experience: 8 years serving as State Representative in Western Wayne County. 12 years as a public school teacher of U.S. History and Government.	The majority of issues that we're facing in Michigan stem from Snyder-era cuts to our public schools. We are still reeling from a teacher shortage due to the degradation of the pension system, pay freezes, and a general lack of respect for educators. As chair of the Education committee in 2023 & 2024, we made strides to right those wrongs, as well as tackle the literacy crisis. This year, I worked across the aisle to reduce unnecessary standardized testing. We need to continue supporting teachers and we need to see these literacy programs through without flinching.	Michigan's energy policy should prioritize reliability, affordability, and environmental responsibility. We need a modern, resilient grid that can withstand extreme weather and reduce outages. At the same time, energy costs are already too high for many families, so any transition must be cost-effective and protect consumers from unreasonable rate increases. Expanding renewable energy can create jobs and reduce pollution, but when taxpayers subsidize major energy projects, the public should receive a return on that investment through public ownership, revenue sharing, or a long-term public stake.	Anyone who is on U.S. soil deserves due process. This is a fundamental tenant of our nation. In that same vein, the right to free speech and against unreasonable searches are rights that should be afforded to anyone within the country. In the same way that Stop & Frisk was found to be unconstitutional in New York, I think the random ID checks that are being conducted mostly against non-white Americans will be found unconstitutional. Any law enforcement agency that is receiving state funds should not be using their resources to support the federal government's efforts unless there is an immediate threat to public safety.
Estelle Oliansky (R)	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PULICATION	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PULICATION	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PULICATION

Michigan House of Representatives, District 25 - 2 Year Term
(District 25 includes Wayne and the SW part of Westland,

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Peter Herzberg (D)	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PULICATION	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PULICATION	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PULICATION
Dawn Udell (R)	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PULICATION	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PULICATION	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PULICATION

Michigan House of Representatives, District 26 - 2 Year Term
(District 26 includes most of Westland)

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CANDIDATES (Visit VOTE411.org for responses to additional questions)	Education: How do you evaluate Michigan's current education system in terms of quality, funding, the teacher workforce and standardized testing? What changes, if any, would you propose or support?	Environment/Energy: How would you approach ensuring energy reliability, consumer affordability, and environmental protection in Michigan?	Immigration: What is your position on due process, First Amendment, and Fourth Amendment rights for all Michigan residents, including noncitizens, and what changes, if any, would you support?
Dylan Wegela (D) Website: dylanwegela.com Facebook: www.facebook.com/DylanWegela26 Campaign Twitter Handle: @dylanwegela Occupation/Current Position: State Representative District 26 Education: Bachelor's Degree (Eastern Michigan) Qualifications and Experience: State Representative MI District 26, Teacher, #RedForED and Union Organizer, Democratic Socialist	Michigan public schools are underfunded by billions of dollars. We need to fully fund our public schools, and stop stealing money that was meant for Michigan's K-12 public schools to offset cuts caused by giving corporations tax breaks. Universal public education is a human right, and Michigan students and teachers deserve the respect and resources they need to learn and teach. Here's how: 1. Tax the rich to fully fund schools and give educators a raise. 2. Make free breakfast and lunch permanent. 3. Make public universities tuition free. 4. Fund universal public pre-K for all. 5. Limit and replace standardized testing.	We must do everything we can to address Climate Change. We need to hold corporations accountable by passing polluter pay laws. We need to take on DTE by banning corporate money from politics, pass a ratepayer bill of rights, and fight for a system where our utilities owned by us, not Wall Street. We must take on AI data centers. I have introduced legislation to put a moratorium on data centers, as well as repeal their tax breaks.	Before 2003, ICE did not exist. We must abolish ICE and develop sensible and humane immigration policies. We must investigate and prosecute ICE agents that are illegally kidnapping, detaining, and deporting our immigrant neighbors. While we cannot rely exclusively on the courts to protect us, it's notable that ICE has lost in court over 4,400 times since October 2025 for wrongfully detaining people. ICE is currently operating as a rogue agency, repeatedly violating our constitution. When this administration is out of office, we must hold them accountable for ignoring our constitutional rights.
Chris Dobis (R) Website: www.chrisdobis.com Facebook: www.facebook.com/share/18TJ49syfn/?mibextid=wwXlfr Campaign Twitter Handle: @ccdoober Occupation / Current Position: Test Engineer Education: College Qualifications and Experience: Tired of the same old crap in Lansing	Our state is near dead last in reading and math scores. We must do better. We need to get back to phonics based reading, and get rid of common core math. Get back to the basics and prepare our kids for their future in Michigan.	We must update the power grid. DTE and Consumers energy have been fleecing us for years, and making profit their main goal. We must hold them accountable for this old system, and force them to modernize it to make it more reliable. This would make it more affordable in the long run, when there is less upkeep and always fixing, instead of updating.	If you are an illegal immigrant you do not have "due process" rights in this country. The constitution is for citizens of this country, not for foreign nationals. They must leave and come back the proper way, just like hundreds of thousands before them. They broke the law by overstaying their visa or broke into our country. That isn't something that we should overlook.

Wayne County Executive - 4-year term

VOTE FOR 1

CANDIDATES	Please provide biographical information and experience, and explain why you are running for this office.	What are the priority issues facing this office and what actions would you take to address them if elected?
Warren C. Evans (D)	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION
Michael A. Evans (R)	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION
John Olumba (NPA)	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION

WAYNE COUNTY ZOOLOGICAL AUTHORITY PROPOSAL

In Support of the Detroit Zoo In 2008 and 2016, pursuant to Public Act 49 of 2008, Wayne County voters renewed a 10-year property tax millage to fund zoological services through the Wayne County Zoological Authority, supporting animal care for more than 2,000 animals and 200 species, educational and senior programs, and facility maintenance at the Detroit Zoo. To continue providing these services, the Authority seeks to renew and restore the millage to the original voter-approved rate of 0.10 mill (10 cents per \$1,000 of taxable value). This proposal would renew the millage at 0.0982 mill and restore the remaining 0.0018 mill that was reduced due to required rollback, for a total authorized rate of 0.10 mill on taxable real and personal property for ten (10) years. If approved, the millage rate would be unchanged from those approved by voters in 2008 and 2016. Funds will be disbursed to the Authority and transferred to the Detroit Zoo as permitted by law. All funds are subject to annual independent audits. It is estimated that \$6,145,462 will be collected in the first year. Ballot Question: Do you approve the renewal and restoration of the levy of 0.10 mill on all taxable property in Wayne County for a period of ten (10) years, from 2028 through 2037? Vote YES or NO

SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN PUBLIC HISTORICAL MUSEUM AUTHORITY MILLAGE PROPOSAL

The Southeast Michigan Public Historical Museum Authority ("Authority") is a joint authority established by Wayne and Oakland Counties ("Counties") pursuant to Michigan Public Act 321 of the Public Acts of 2000, as amended, and was formed to support the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, Detroit Historical Museum, Dossin Great Lakes Museum, and other public historical museums located in Wayne and Oakland Counties ("Historical Museums") that provide historical museum services for students, residents and visitors of the Counties. The law allows the Authority to seek authorization from the electors in *each of the Counties* to levy a tax of 0.2 mill (20 cents per \$1,000 of taxable value) on taxable property to provide revenue for Historical Museums. It is estimated that if approved and levied on taxable property located within Wayne County, this new millage would generate approximately **\$12,219,200 in 2026**. *In addition to supporting the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, Detroit Historical Museum, and Dossin Great Lakes Museum, 15% of revenues received by the Authority from taxable property in Wayne County, after Authority administrative expenses, will be disbursed to the County of Wayne for the purposes of supporting Historical Museums in Wayne County.* Shall a 0.2 mill tax on all taxable property located within Wayne County be imposed by the Authority for a period of ten (10) years, being years 2026 through 2035, inclusive, to provide historical museum services for the benefit of the residents of the Counties?

VOTE YES or NO

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE PROPOSAL (for voters in the Livonia School District in Westland)

Renewal of Schoolcraft College Operating Millage with continued Headlee Override, To renew the millage passed in 2018 for a ten (10) year period, shall the Schoolcraft Community College District, (consisting of the Clarenceville, Garden City, Livonia, Northville, Plymouth-Canton and part of the Novi public school districts) be authorized to continue levying this millage with Headlee override, which restored the 1986 voter-approved rate of 2.27 mills (about \$2.27 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation), which shall be assessed for ten (10) more years (2029 through 2038, inclusive), without further reduction by Section 31 of Article IX of the 1963 Michigan State Constitution, for operating purposes of Schoolcraft College. If approved, there would be no change in the current millage rate for the Schoolcraft Community College District. This renewal is estimated to generate \$50,760,711 in 2029.

VOTE YES OR NO

CANDIDATES	Please provide biographical information and experience, and explain why you are running for this office.	What are the priority issues facing this office and what actions would you take to address them if elected?
Alfred Brock (NPA) Campaign Phone: 7347561185 Campaign Email: Alfred.Brock@gmail.com Occupation/Current Profession: Systems Optimization	My commitment to Wayne is built on a single, interconnected vision: healthy people, a healthy environment, and the economic foundation to sustain both. Jobs and economic opportunity are not a separate goal—they are the essential underpinning that makes the first two possible. As your Mayor Pro-Tem with years of public service, I have the proven experience to deliver on this vision. We are already leading the way by replacing our lead water lines ahead of the state's 2041 deadline. This is environmental security directly protecting the health of our families and creating good local jobs.	Legacy financial problems remain a root problem. I will work to alleviate those pressures by presenting the City of Wayne as it is - a great investment and a fine place to live. I will continue working with other local, State of Michigan, Federal authorities and volunteer and corporate interests to continue to build a safe and vibrant City of Wayne.
Kathy Lawrence (NPA) Occupation/Current Profession: Finance Services Coordinator Education: Associates Degree Equivalent	I am running for re-election for the Office of the City of Wayne City Council because I want to make a change to our once thriving community. I want to see community activities enjoyed by the public. I attended Wayne State University. I have over 30 years experience working in various Departments in Municipal Government including Parks and Recreation, Utilities and the Police Department. I worked almost fifteen of those years for the City of Wayne and over 15 years for the municipality where I currently work. I currently work in the Finance Department performing duties such as Accounts Payable, Payroll and Audit Preparation. The Payroll portion of my job includes maintaining compliance with multiple Collective Bargaining Agreements.	I feel that our main priority is addressing the budget deficit. We need to make sure our Expenses are not exceeding our revenues and that our outstanding liabilities can be met within our required time frame. The City of Wayne Administration and the City Council must work together to address these issues. We need to promote and acquire new businesses to our downtown area. This is a collaboration of many City Departments, the DDA and the Council working together. If re-elected, I will continue to monitor our budget, review contracts, make appropriate suggestions; and ask questions that need to be asked. I will always prioritize what's in the best interest of the City rather than prioritizing my personal interests.
Brett Macek (NPA) Campaign Email: Brettforwayne@gmail.com Occupation/Current Profession: Business Office Manager Education: BBA in Accounting from the University of Michigan-Dearborn	I've called Wayne home for most of my life and hope to continue my efforts to serve the community. Public service has always been something I've felt passion to pursue. As a resident of Wayne, I have sought out ways to make myself a positive member of the community. In official roles, I currently serve as the Vice President of the Wayne Housing Commission and as a Board Member for the Friends of the Wayne Public Library. In less formal endeavors, I have helped organize block parties for my neighborhood in recent years. I have also spent my career working in governmental finance starting as a Finance Intern with the City of Ypsilanti and continuing to the present as the Business Office Manager for Garden City Public Schools.	There have been a lot of concerns raised in recent times about the reliability of city services primarily at the moment trash pickup. It's not always easy to find ideal partnerships with the limited number of companies willing to provide these types of services, but that doesn't mean that service issues cannot be addressed as they arise. As a City Council member before voting to enter into major contracts, I would make sure there is a suitable method in the contract language to address when services are not being provided at acceptable levels. There also needs to be clearly and consistently communicated ways for residents to provide feedback, so service issues can be cataloged and addressed specifically.

Wayne City Council – City of Wayne (cont.)

CANDIDATES	Please provide biographical information and experience, and explain why you are running for this office.	What are the priority issues facing this office and what actions would you take to address them if elected?
Matthew P. Mulholland (NPA) Campaign Phone: 7343958646 Campaign Email: matthewpmpul-ly@gmail.com Occupation/Current Profession: President, Town's End Events, LLC Education: BS, Michigan State University	I was born and raised in the City of Wayne. Attended St. Mary, Ben Franklin and Wayne Memorial. I am a Veteran of the U.S. Army, serving on active duty, reserve, ROTC and was activated in support of Operation Desert Storm. I attended and graduated from MSU. My professional career involved small business ownership, franchise management/sales and human resources. I have previously served on City Council twice and have been involved in numerous civic, volunteer and non-profit organizations. I have a passion for restoring the Rouge River watershed and have worked extensively to this end. I have a solid understanding of municipal government operations, budgets, contract negotiations and personnel matters. I love the City of Wayne!	I believe the most important issues facing the City of Wayne of Wayne are: the budget, providing quality services to our residents, the increasing cost of providing these services, transparency, leadership that is focused on treating all employees/residents with respect, elected officials that are accessible to their constituents and holding people responsible for their actions. Wayne has so many positive things going for it. Citizens that are eager to get involved, a walkable downtown, a business community that is engaged and growing, the lower Rouge River that literally flows right through the center of the city, parks and trails and municipal employees that are committed to their careers. Let's put politics aside and come together!
Donald L. Quarles (NPA) Campaign Phone: 734-756-8303 Campaign Email: Wcsr3588@comcast.net Occupation/Current Profession: Logistics specialists Education: Some college	I have proudly served on the Zoning Board and Planning Commission for the City of Wayne, Michigan, for the past 16 years. That experience gave me the knowledge and perspective needed to step into the role of City Council member. More importantly, it strengthened my love for our city and the people who call it home. As we look ahead, our city is facing a significant budget deficit next year, which will present a major challenge. Even with these financial pressures, we must continue to provide the high-quality services our residents expect and deserve. We have made tremendous progress in creating a stronger sense of community through projects and events such as the new pavilion, Concerts in the Park, food truck events, and the many family	First and foremost, addressing the upcoming budget deficit will be our greatest challenge. However, beyond that, it is essential that we continue to keep our residents involved in the planning process while also attracting new families and businesses to our city. Although we are facing a significant financial challenge next year, we cannot lose sight of the people who make Wayne such a special place to live. We must continue to support the programs, events, and quality of life that our residents have come to enjoy and value. The actions I will continue to take are simple: remain accessible, maintain open communication with residents, encourage public involvement in city decisions, and ensure that the City Council never loses sight of what h...
Shannon Rochon (NPA) Campaign Phone: 2488182866 Campaign Email: rochons Shannon@gmail.com Campaign Website: ShannonRochon.com Occupation/Current Profession: Comm Education: Bachelors of Science	I am running for Wayne City Council because I love this city and want to help build a stronger future for our residents. As a Wayne-Westland School Board Trustee, nonprofit leader, minister, and community advocate, I have dedicated my life to serving others and bringing people together to solve problems. I believe city government should be transparent, responsive, and focused on results. My priorities include supporting safe neighborhoods, responsible economic development, strong city services, and greater community engagement. I am running because I believe in the people of Wayne and want to use my experience, leadership, and passion for service to help move our city forward.	The City of Wayne's top priorities are economic development, infrastructure, public safety, and neighborhood quality of life. Residents want safe neighborhoods, well-maintained roads and parks, thriving local businesses, and responsive city government. If elected, I will work to attract new investment, support small businesses, pursue funding for infrastructure improvements, and ensure our police and fire departments have the resources they need. I will also prioritize transparency and community engagement so residents have a voice in the decisions that impact our city. My goal is to bring people together, find practical solutions, and help make Wayne an even better place to live, work, and raise a family.

Wayne-Westland Community Schools Board of Education -6 Year Term **VOTE FOR 3**

CANDIDATES	Please provide biographical information and experience, and explain why you are running for this office.	What are the priority issues facing this office and what actions would you take to address them if elected?
Dez'arae Adams (NPA) Campaign Phone: 5174149951 Campaign Email: Administration@dezaraeadams4schoolboard.org Campaign Website: www.dezaraeadams4schoolboard.org Occupation/Current Profession: Education Education: Doctoral Candidate	I am Dez'arae Adams, an educator, early childhood leader, mother, and Wayne-Westland community member with more than 15 years of experience in education. I currently serve as Director of Early Childhood at Wayne County RESA and have worked at the classroom, school, district, county, and statewide levels. I hold bachelor's and master's degrees from Eastern Michigan University and am a doctoral candidate at Walden University. I am running for Wayne-Westland School Board to bring my experience and perspective as an educator and parent to student-centered governance. I am committed to academic achievement, supporting educators, engaging families, responsible stewardship, and ensuring every student has opportunities to succeed	The priority issues facing Wayne-Westland include improving student achievement, recruiting and retaining high-quality educators, strengthening family and community trust, ensuring safe and supportive schools, and responsibly managing district resources. If elected, I will use data to monitor student outcomes, advocate for resources and supports that strengthen teaching and learning, and promote meaningful family engagement. I will prioritize transparency, fiscal responsibility, and accountability while working collaboratively with fellow board members and district leadership to establish policies and goals that ensure every student has access to opportunities that prepare them for future success.
Ashley Herzberg (NPA) Campaign Phone: 7346795739 Campaign Email: Herzberga7@gmail.com Occupation/Current Profession: Special Education Teacher Education: University of Michigan- Dearborn Bachelors of Special Education	I have lived in Westland my whole life, having graduated from Wayne-Westland schools. I am currently raising my family in the district as well. I have my Bachelors in Special Education from the University of Michigan-Dearborn. My goal in running for office is to be a voice for students, staff, and families in the district. I would bring a teachers perspective to the board and focus on issues that matter most to those who help make up the district as a whole.	Improving testing scorers across the district, closing the COVID learning gap, addressing safety and security in the schools, supporting students interests and teachers needs.

November 3 is Election Day!

Polls open 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.

If you need to register to vote,
you can register and then vote at
your city or township clerk's office until 8 p.m. on Election Day!

Wayne-Westland Community Schools Board of Education (cont.)

CANDIDATES	Please provide biographical information and experience, and explain why you are running for this office.	What are the priority issues facing this office and what actions would you take to address them if elected?
Brittany Hill (NPA) Campaign Email: hillbrittany.n@gmail.com Occupation/Current Profession: Teacher	I'm running because I care about the future of our children and I believe our schools are strongest when students succeed, educators are supported, and families and community have a voice. I want to listen, communicate and act. My goal is to help create safe, supportive schools where every child has the opportunity to thrive. My three goals are Student achievement-making sure your students have what they need to learn and succeed. Safe and supportive schools-creating an environment where students staff feel safe, supported and respected. Strong families and community relationships-improving communication, transparency, and trust between a district family educators, and community.	I believed three priority issues facing the Wayne-Westland school boards are doing are tier to student achievement, safe and supportive schools and strong relationships among families, educators, and community. If elected first I would listen and ask questions. I would support reviewing student achievement data, identifying learning gaps early and making sure interventions and academic supports are reaching students who need it. I would support effective safety procedures, meaningful mental health resources and appropriate behavioral support for students and staff and I would encourage transparent communication, opportunities for families and employees to provide feedback and meaningful partnerships with the broader communities.
Melandie Yvonne Hines (NPA) Campaign Phone: 7346241228 Campaign Email: melandieh@gmail.com Occupation/Current Profession: CEO Hines Consulting and Management Services LLC. Education: Masters in Business Management/ Human Resource Management	Melandie Hines is running for Re-Election for the Wayne Westland Board Of Education and she is President. I have served on the Wayne Westland Board of Education for over 12 years. I sit on several committees. I am appointed to serve on the Wayne County Women's Commission by Glen Anderson and I'm serving my second term on the commission. I was just reappointed to serve on the City Of Westland's Downtown Development Authority. I am the President of the Kiwanis Club of Wayne Westland & Surrounding Areas in which we are here to help with literacy, to make sure that every child can read. I also work as a Family Advocate for Starfish Family Services in Early Childhood Education for the GSRP program, I work in Admissions at Schoolcraft College.	The priority issues facing the Wayne Westland Community Schools is funding to make sure we have accurate funding for curriculum and activities for our students. We must pay fair wages to our employees and make sure their pensions are funded to attract the highest quality employees. We must make sure that we are creating an educational culture where the children are above standards when it comes to testing. Career technical advancement is important as well. I want to make sure that our kids have the skills to be able to compete in a competitive society. Skill Trades and pathways to free community college is a pathway to success. I have 12 years of experience managing the budget, curriculum, and passing vital union contracts to help employees.

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CANDIDATES	Please provide biographical information and experience, and explain why you are running for this office.	What are the priority issues facing this office and what actions would you take to address them if elected?
Dayna Lewis (NPA) Campaign Phone: 7348374939 Campaign Email: drdaynadane@gmail.com Campaign Website: drdaynadane.com/campaign Occupation/Current Profession: Director of Communications Education: PhD Educational Leadership, MS Integrated Marketing Communications	I am a Wayne-Westland parent of three, community advocate, nonprofit leader, and communications professional. I hold a PhD in Educational Leadership and a Master of Science in Integrated Marketing Communications. During the term I am seeking, I will have a child in high school, one in middle school, and one in elementary school in this district, all at the same time. I am running because I believe current Wayne-Westland parents need a voice on the Board of Education. Many of the issues facing our district, including transportation, attendance, and special education, are personal to my family. I want to bring that lived experience, along with my education, professional background, and years of community involvement, to the board table.	My priorities are transportation, special education, and attendance. I want to improve transportation reliability and ensure routes make sense for families and honor students' IEPs when applicable. I also want to build on Wayne-Westland's strong early childhood special education foundation by creating clearer continuity of services as students progress through the district and ensuring educators have the training and support they need. Improving attendance requires understanding why individual students are missing school, including transportation, health, family circumstances, disengagement, and other barriers, and connecting families with appropriate support before absences become chronic.

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Brian D. Broderick (NPA) Campaign Phone: 7346343204 Campaign Email: bdbroderick@yahoo.com Occupation/Current Profession: Executive Director Michigan Association of Nonpublic Schools Education: B.A. University of Notre Dame, Juris Doctorate University of Detroit School of Law, Masters in Public Administration WSU	I have served as a Trustee at Schoolcraft College since 1995. The college plays a critical role in the community providing transformational education experience for students as well as being an economic driver for western Wayne County. Under the leadership of the administration and Board of Trustees the college is fiscally sound and remains affordable for all students. I want to continue the work of the school to expand access and opportunity for all who come to Schoolcraft College.	Financial constraints are the most pressing issues facing Schoolcraft. We have been innovative and resourceful in financing the operations of college in the face of declining state appropriations all while keeping tuition low. This is important work that requires visionary leadership and a steady governing board. Another priority is student retention and completion. Michigan suffers from a low college attendance rate. Schoolcraft is well positioned to provide education and training to impact the workforce and serve students of all ages.
Jackie Coleman (NPA) Campaign Phone: 7345643535 Campaign Email: jackic@comcast.net Occupation/Current Profession: Teacher Education: Ed. Specialist in Special Education Leadership, Masters in Speech Pathology	It is an honor to serve on the board of this wonderful community resource. I very much want to continue. My background is that I have been a special education teacher for over 30 years in the Livonia Public Schools. My husband is a union electrician and I have two daughters who both graduated from Plymouth Canton Community Schools.	Priorities for the board include supporting the current bond proposal and continued support of the college's synergetic relationships with businesses and institutions in our community.
Candy R. Little (NPA)	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION
Alexander D. Steward (NPA)	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION	DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION

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