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Q1

Candidate Name:

Edward Howell

Q2

In what municipality (city, town, village) do you live?

Las Cruces

Q3

How long have you lived in this municipality?

6 Years

Q4

Email address

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Phone number for voters to reach out to you

9155490020

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Other Information

Campaign Website

howell4lcps.com

Q7

If elected, what would be your first priority as a School Board Member?

There is a lack of focus in this district on the one main purpose of public education, which is the education of the students. This is not happening and it will be my first priority.

Q8

What place do you believe parental rights have in our school system?

Public education began historically with involved parents providing teachers to educate their children. Parents have an absolute right and responsibility in driving the education of their children. I would work to make sure all parents are no longer second-class citizens in their children's education, protection and health related matters.

Q9

What would you do to improve student academic outcomes?

We need competent, well paid and self-directed teachers in our classrooms. Let the teachers teach!

Q10

On what principles would you choose the curriculum for our district?

The local District should choose their curriculum, not the state. Some subjects need updating to keep up with changes in their particular field of study, but not all of them. Consistency and quality should drive these decisions. Parental involvement is also necessary as curriculum is reviewed.

Q11

What is your opinion on SB 397, the recent law passed regarding school health clinics to be accessible for all New Mexico students at school for universal health, dental, eye, and psychological care?

I do not like the idea of the state mandating issues regarding our children's health care. This is the duty and responsibility of the parents. There must ALWAYS be parental notification to the parents of our students.

Q12

What is your opinion on parental notification for all student health concerns?

As noted above, it is not the responsibility of any government agency to take over the parenting responsibilities of their children. I think there will ultimately be legal action taken against the state for the state's efforts to control our children.

Q13

Why are you seeking to be a school board member, and what makes you the most qualified person to be elected?

I have spent my entire adult life working with children from kindergarten to high school in reading programs and after school programs, both in public school applications and in church. My goal is to ensure that every child in this district have the opportunity to a good education. I also ran a successful business for over 30 years and understand a balance sheet and the complexities to managing organizations. None of the other candidates have this breath of knowledge that I would bring to the District

Q14

Have you ever been arrested for a felony or misdemeanor crime? If yes, please explain.

I have not.