

Mayoral Questionnaire

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1. I plan to give every citizen quality of life and improve the state of the city such as: safety, education, development and youth empowerment.
2. I will be the liaison between mayor office, MEA and BOSCO. One of my roles as mayor will be to be the voice for their concerns at the board of Mayor and Alderman.
3. As stated in your question, as long as the charter is not changed I'm expected to serve as chair. One benefit to serving as board chair to organizations such as MEA is that they can hold me accountable for my participation at the school committee level.
4. If mayor office continues to be constrain by tax cap, as elected mayor, I will have a complete review of all city departments and services initialed on the first day of my term as mayor. Funding education will be one of my top priorities.
5. I will be engaged in proposing the city budget. However, I will propose the public, and organizations such as MEA to comment on the budget before it goes to the board of mayor and alderman.
6. It is my goal to make public schools desirable than any other options available. I'm not opposed to charter school and home school education but as elected mayor I would be in favor of conducting financial reviews on the drawings of resources from public schools.
7. There's a role for testing in the school system and I will rely on feed backs from organization such as MEA and educators for student's performance. However, if federal funds are involved I will also review with appropriate federal agencies to see what the requirements are and negotiate with either state or federal government to protect the interest of the city.
8. Most important thing in education is consistency. Student, parent and faculty are a community. They all need to know that the community has full support of mayor's office. If educators are performing well, then they will be back each year because they

are the asset of the school. I'm in favor of negotiating a contract that favors retaining teachers long term so that students and family can rely on consistent support by mayor's office. If this requires increase funding for salaries and benefits as mayor I will find the resources.

9. Small class sizes are perfectible; I would look at all of the options to increase the number of educators and resources to promote small class size within the district.
10. I would create a culture which promotes the good that educators in Manchester school district perform everyday instead of focusing on negative. My office if elected mayor would highlight district successes and work with educators to improve current challenges facing the district, increase funding, improve public safety, prioritizing teachers retainage and these benefits are the key to creating a community where education is consider the most important service offered to the citizens of Manchester.