## **Education Minnesota Voter Information: House District 45A**

Dear educator,

Those elected this November will make decisions that directly impact your students, pocketbook, profession and union. Because of this, we wanted to provide some information on where the candidates for Minnesota House in your district stand on the issues educators have said they care about the most.

A candidate's position is sometimes more complicated than a "yes" or "no" answer. We have done our best to represent each candidate in a fair and reasonable way. Unless noted otherwise, the statements were taken from Education Minnesota's candidate questionnaire.

For educators seeking more specific information on their local candidate's positions on Education Minnesota's top priorities of pay, pensions and health care, the questionnaires are available at www.edmnvotes.org.

# Do you believe in fully and equitably funding public education, from preschool to postsecondary institutions, with several billion dollars in new education investments?

## **Tracey Breazeale**

Breazeale said education is the foundation of the future. She pledged to work to fully fund schools and help students thrive. She called school funding an investment in the educated workforce of tomorrow.

## **Andrew Myers**

Myers has stated multiple times that he had "serious concerns" about the 2023 education omnibus bill, which delivered historic investments into Minnesota's public schools. Myers voted "no" to that legislation.

<sup>1</sup> Sun Sailor. 7/18/23

<sup>2</sup> HF 2497 - VoteSmart. 4/20/2023.

## How will you support and stand with the students and educators of Minnesota?

#### **Tracey Breazeale**

Will work to provide districts with more resources to hire educators, give school staff much-needed debt relief, and ensure that all teachers and staff are justly compensated.

#### **Andrew Myers**

Voted "No" on HF3947, a bill that will increase the minimum wage to better support school district staff.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>3</sup> MN House Journal 3852house.mn.gov/cco/journals/2023-24/J0515116

## Will you support school choice and voucher programs?

#### **Tracey Breazeale**

No. Breazeale said she believes in fully funding the Minnesota public school system because it is essential to our children's future.

#### **Andrew Myers**

Strongly favors taxpayer-funded voucher programs instead of fully funding the Minnesota public school system.<sup>4</sup>

<sup>4</sup> Facebook. 1/25/21

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