

Education Minnesota Voter Information: House District 48B

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 support guaranteeing universal school meals at no cost to Minnesota parents?	
Lucy Rehm Yes.	Caleb Steffenhagen Said efforts to provide free school lunches to students were unnecessary and useless. ¹ <small>¹ Twitter, 3/27/23</small>
Education Minnesota believes all students should have the freedom to feel safe and welcome in their public school, no matter what they look like, where they're from, or how they pray, transgender or not. Do you agree?	
Lucy Rehm Yes.	Caleb Steffenhagen Shared a tweet that suggests students confiding their issues to teachers is "predatory grooming." ² <small>² Twitter RT, 1/23/23 [Screenshot]</small>
Would you work to provide debt relief to retain teachers so they can afford to stay in the classroom?	
Lucy Rehm Supports efforts to provide education debt relief so teachers can afford to stay in the profession.	Caleb Steffenhagen Opposes education debt relief. Instead, he asserts that Republicans like him, "want the individual to solve their own problem so that you learn the value of hard work and grow independent. This country needs more individuals to start thinking that they should be responsible for their own actions instead of looking to the government." ³ <small>³ Facebook, 4/30/22 [Screenshot]</small>