

2020 general election candidate report card



Teaching is one of the most respected professions - when teachers speak up, people listen!

Candidate forums are a great opportunity to promote teaching and education priorities.

It's a good idea to start your questions with "As a teacher..."

Candidate's name and party

Teaching Council reset

Real community engagement

Public schools not charter schools

Schools as community hubs

More adult and community education

Social services have a base at school

Increase funding for students with greatest need

More school counsellors and mental health support for kids

Community liaison staff for Māori and Pasifika whānau

Smaller class sizes

Sample questions

Will your party commit to taking charter schools off the table forever?

As a teacher, I believe schools are the natural centre of the community. Will your party make secondary schools service hubs for the community?

As a teacher, I know how important lifelong learning is for our whole society. Will your party fund adult and community education to help people retrain?

Māori and Pasifika teachers often have a double workload of teaching and pastoral care. Will your party fund community liaison staff to lighten that load?

Will your party properly resource counselling and mental health services for kids?

Will your party commit to changing the role of the teaching council to meet the profession's needs?