

Questionnaire Tips and Sample Questions

If you can't meet directly with a candidate, consider sending a letter to them outlining our key messages and priorities for the upcoming election.

A questionnaire can be included for the candidate to answer. This is a great way to get a better sense of where the candidate stands on priority issues for educators. This information will be very useful if the candidate is elected.

Email is often easiest, but most candidates will have a physical office open during the campaign period where the letter can be dropped off.

Publish the candidates' responses in your Local's e-newsletter, post on your website, promote the website link on social media or book an ad in your local newspaper, directing readers to your website to view the responses.

Subject: Candidate Questionnaire – [Local Association Name]

Dear [name of candidate],

For six years, Manitoba's public schools have been chronically underfunded, resulting in loss of programming, larger class sizes, long wait times to access clinician services and more.

On behalf of [Local association name], and in my capacity as [role] of the [Local association name], we invite you to offer your comments on your party's plan for public education.

Attached, you will find a questionnaire. The deadline for responses is [time and date]. Your responses will be shared with our membership as well as the public.

Please feel free to contact me to coordinate the meeting or if you have any questions: [email] or [phone].

We appreciate your participation.

Thank you,

[name and role]