

Central Valley Progressive Political Action Committee Endorsement Questionnaire for Community College District Candidates

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Please use no more than 100 words to respond to each of the following:

1. Please describe how you will improve the quality of education as an elected trustee for the Community College district? As an elected trustee for the Community College District, I will focus on securing funding for academic programs, collaborating on curriculum development to meet workforce needs, expanding student support services, promoting diversity and inclusion, and engaging with the community to create valuable partnerships for student success.

2. Describe how the Community College District can provide additional social-emotional support at all campuses? The Community College District can enhance social-emotional support by increasing access to mental health services through more counselors and wellness workshops, implementing peer support programs, and offering online resources for students. Establishing safe spaces for open dialogue and promoting mental health awareness campaigns can help reduce stigma. Additionally, integrating social-emotional learning into the curriculum and providing training for faculty and staff to recognize and address student needs will create a supportive environment.

3. What role should the district board play in determining the selection of books/materials for district libraries? The district board should play an inclusive role in determining the selection of books and materials for district libraries. They should establish clear policies and guidelines that promote diversity, inclusivity, and intellectual freedom. The board should collaborate with librarians, educators, and students to create a selection process considering community values and educational standards. The board must ensure that various perspectives and voices are represented in the library collection, encouraging cultural understanding and exploring different ideas.

4. What would you do to advocate for inclusive policies and support services crucial to providing access and resources for undocumented students? **This involves creating a safe and welcoming campus environment, providing counseling and legal resources tailored to their needs, and establishing partnerships with community organizations and local agencies for additional support.** By having inclusive policies and fostering a supportive

community, we can ensure undocumented students have the necessary resources and opportunities to excel academically and personally.

5. Please list your top 5 campaign donors and the amounts contributed. Amounts haven't been confirmed

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Candidate Signature: (Use a script font to sign below). Signing confirms the candidate's permission to post responses on the CVPPAC website.)

Crystal Jackson

If you want to be considered for endorsement by the CVPPAC, you will need to complete the attached candidate questionnaire and e-mail it back to us at fresnocvppac@gmail.com no later than 11:59 p.m. on Saturday, August 31st.