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LET'S GO FROM GOOD TO GREAT!



MY MOTIVATION

Until I had a child – I could only see the rough outline of responsibility drawn by fatherhood. Yet, being a parent has opened my eyes beyond the circle of my own family. As a math teacher with over seven years experience, I know: **education is destiny**. Every kindergartener's future is shaped by the teachers and administrators standing in front of them.



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SEVEN YEARS TEACHING EXPERIENCE

My teaching career has stretched from Philadelphia to Shanghai. I have experience teaching math in both elite universities and highly ranked public schools.

SMALL BUSINESS OWNER

As an owner of an organic blueberry farm, I know how to stretch a buck. Throwing money at a problem will not solve poor planning. Customers demand responsive business. I hope to add this type of responsiveness to our school committee.

OUR CAMPAIGN

My campaign is about creating the most accessible and effective school district in Massachusetts. The children of Medford deserve the best. Join me and **let's go from good to great!**

MEDFORD'S STANDING



Medford's schools have made progress since the 90s, but in every ranking we fall into the middle of the pack. US News and World Report ranks our sister cities Arlington 12th, Somerville 69th, Everett 89th; we don't even crack into the top 100. Boston Magazine ranks our city 85th out of 150 Boston area schools. According to the MA Department of Education, we are over three points behind Malden's 4-year graduation rate. Great Schools rank our district 5 out of 10. These rankings are a call to action: **let's get to work!**

MEDFORD: MOVING FORWARD



The Mustangs have made us proud, but **is it too outrageous to imagine our schools as the best in Massachusetts?** No student should aim for a B. It is time we use our momentum and drive our schools to the highest academic standards.

MEDFORD: RETOOLING



Building a school district is a lot like building a boat while sailing it. Here are some ideas to move us forward.

- *Create local professor lectures
- *Make academic events exciting
- *Get graduation rate above 80%
- *Engage schools from sister cities
- *Improve special education access
- *Increase recess and physical activity