

2009 SPPACE QUESTIONNAIRE

Charlotte-Mecklenburg School Board Candidates

Please limit response to 50 words per question.

Please return completed questionnaire to Andy Munn at REBIC/SPPACE:
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1. What are the top three issues facing our school district? How would you propose to tackle these issues?
2. Why are so many students (especially low-income and minority youth) failing state exams and dropping out, and what can Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools do to change that?
3. How do you believe Mecklenburg County should fund school capital costs, parks, roads, transit, police and fire protection needs for the County? Should purchasers of new homes be responsible for funding these services for the entire County? Do you believe that these types of proposals are a fair way to pay for required services to existing taxpayers?
4. What would you propose to do to reduce expenses in line with the reduced funding from the state?
5. Would you support the use of an accounting system that tracks per-pupil/per-school expenses and student performance at the individual school level for comparative purposes?
6. What are your suggestions for innovative new funding sources for school capital projects?
7. What suggestions do you have that would reduce transportation costs for the District? Do you support allowing older children to use public transportation to get to and from school?
8. If elected, how do you view your role as School Board Member?