



DEAR EDUCATION COLLEAGUES,

On November 4, you have choices to make in this critical election. I've worked with local and state leaders to identify priority elections and to interview local candidates that represent the voices of educators. Here's the information I've gathered and my recommendations – NSEA has recommended these candidates as well!

GOVERNOR: CHUCK HASSEBROOK is a strong supporter of public education, your collective bargaining rights and local control of our schools. Chuck served as a NU Regent for 18 years and has named education as his top priority.

CONGRESS: SEN. BRAD ASHFORD has been a good friend to education as a member of the Legislature. Brad supports quality public schools, teachers and local control of our schools. He will support the teachers of Nebraska work hard for us in Washington, D.C.

U.S. SENATE: DAVID DOMINA believes education must be measured by, and rooted in, strong public schools. Domina says testing is not a substitute for teaching and that test results must not replace confidence and trust in teachers.

LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS REPRESENTING MILLARD –

MATT LATHROP, LD20 - Matt Lathrop has a strong background in labor relations, and recognizes the importance of collective bargaining and due process rights for education employees. Matt believes education must be a top priority for the state.

BOB HILKEMANN, LD4 - A former podiatrist, Dr. Hilkemann understands the importance of quality educational opportunities for children at all levels; from pre-school through college.

MERV RIEPE AND GREG HOSCH, LD12 - Greg Hosch is a businessman who understands that strong public education forms the backbone of our society. Greg supports funding early childhood education programs, collective bargaining and increasing teacher salaries.

As a former hospital administrator, Merv Riepe values quality public education and believes that school funding should be more predictable, and that education must be a top priority in the state budget.

BOB MEYERS, STATE SCHOOL BOARD DIST. 8 – Bob is a life-long educator, has taught, coached, served as an assistant principal, a principal and a superintendent. As a State Board of Education member, Bob will bring needed experience, educational background and a commitment to students and teachers.

MILLARD SCHOOL BOARD - DAVE ANDERSON, MIKE KENNEDY, PAT RICKETTS, AND JOHN VYHLIDAL have earned the MEA recommendation. The MEA believes that these candidates will fight for what's best for our students and staff in the Millard Public Schools.

I believe these are the best candidates to advocate for public education.

We need strong allies at all levels of government to make sure the focus is on our students and our profession. Please join me in supporting these pro-education candidates! Every vote counts!!

For a list of all NSEA's recommended candidates, go to www.nsea.org/election2014

For ways to help local candidates, you can go to www.millardmea.org.

Thank you,

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your right, and your privilege.*



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