2SLGBTQIA+ Questionnaire for Waterloo Region Municipal Candidates





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Do you identify as a member of a 2SLGBTQIA+ community?

No

What role are you running for?

Waterloo Catholic school board trustee

What do you believe are the most critical issues for the local 2SLGBTQIA+ community? If elected, how would you work with the local community to address these issues?

Inclusion and support at school Visibility and support for clubs and events

Have you ever participated in 2SLGBTQIA+ Cultural Competency Training?

Yes. I have several degrees in social policy social work and social Justice

Systemic homophobia, biphobia, and transphobia are still prevalent in our community, resulting in significant socioeconomic disparities within 2SLGBTQIA+ communities. If elected, how will you combat homophobia, biphobia, and transphobia?

Work on education, inclusion and addressing heteronormativity. Education and visibility is key

If elected, how would you address the ongoing issues of homelessness and mental health, especially as they disproportionately affect members of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community?

I am looking to increase the knowledge and support for young LGBTQ2IA+ at school. Particularly for trans and non Binary folks.

Do you agree with the statement that "trans rights are human rights, and must be protected as such?" 100% Marsha P fought for this

What is one motion would you bring to council that you think will improve the lives of specifically queer people, racialized individuals and/or marginalized residents and why?

The rights to be seen and represented at school. The right to feel safe and respected

When thinking about our schools, do you agree that 2SLGBTQIA+ representation in books and lessons is critical at all grade levels? How would you support 2SLGBTQIA+ students in schools?

Yes yes and yes. Identifying as LGBTQ2IA+ is 100% normal. These kids deserve to be treated with dignity and respect. I can't yell this loud enough.