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Q1

Your name

Lisa Rivera Smith

Q2

What school board are you running for?

Seattle School District No. 1, Director District No. 2

Q3

Yes

Are you worried about use of restraints and isolation in your school district?

Q4

Yes

Do you support ending isolation, chemical restraint, prone (floor) restraint, and supine (wall) restraint?

Q5

Yes

Do you want to invest in training on alternatives to restraint and isolation?

Q6

What should voters know about your commitment to keeping everyone, including students with disabilities, safe in school?

As the parent of a student with an IEP, I know the fear that students like mine will not receive an educational experience on par with their non-disabled peers. So we need to be intentional about making our schools safe and welcoming for those throughout the beautiful spectrum of abilities found in our student body. I agree with the Crisis Response Workgroup's recommendation to eliminate isolation and chemical restraint; improve access to student supports; increase training in de-escalation practices, and improve incident reporting.
