



Elliott Friesen's decision to run for School Board Trustee is based on his strong conviction to support higher learning while still protecting the most vulnerable.

"As a father of three young boys, I believe the education system needs to be a place of peace and encouragement. It needs to be a place of camaraderie, a place where the common bond is so strong it inspires students to unite with one another for the common goal of achievement, hope, confidence, and self worth."

"I believe financial education is severely lacking in our schools today. Our curriculum needs to include financial education that will equip our students to face real-life situations around money, investing, debt, and rate of return. Our students need to be well-informed about income from any given career path before they make their final decision."

Friesen envisions a school system where kids are free from political interference and political indoctrination.

"I want family influence on school curriculum. I believe in a strong academic curriculum that is free from ideological agendas so kids can focus on learning, exploring their possibilities, and building lasting relationships with one another as they look forward to a bright future."

"We must stand for the rights of parents and of our children because our children truly are our greatest investment in the future."

Friesen also wants to highlight career paths and vocational opportunities available to students once they graduate from Chilliwack's secondary schools.

"Questions our students need to ask themselves are, 'Do I need to go to university and get a degree, or do I need to go to trade school and get a ticket?' and 'Which career path will suit my interests and desired lifestyle?'"

"All these questions need to be addressed by each student individually, so the decisions they make will best meet their specific needs before they choose a career path."

For more information on Richard's policies and beliefs, watch the video on his profile page

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