## E-FOCUS



Dear Highline Education Association Members,

As a collective force dedicated to empowering workers and fighting for their rights, our union holds immense power to effect positive change in our communities. Today, I am excited to share with you our carefully considered endorsements for the upcoming city council and school board elections!

I want to especially thank the members who gave up a Tuesday during their well-deserved summer break to conduct this endorsement process. Our union's endorsement process involved careful evaluation and deliberation, considering candidates' stances on issues that matter most to us as educators and workers. These candidates have demonstrated a strong commitment to the values we hold dear.

Now, more than ever, we need leaders who will champion the causes that impact us and our students directly and stand shoulder to shoulder with working-class families. I want to encourage all members to get even more involved in this process when the time comes by canvassing. By dedicating our time and energy to canvassing for these candidates, we can help them gain the support they need to make a meaningful difference once elected.

Canvassing is a powerful tool for grassroots organizing and community engagement. It allows us to connect directly with voters, engaging in face-to-face conversations about the issues that resonate with them and sharing why our endorsed candidates are the best choices to represent their interests. By going door-to-door, making phone calls, and participating in community events, we can collectively amplify our voices and ensure that our endorsed candidates receive the attention they deserve.

Here are the endorsed candidates we encourage you to support:

- 1. Michael T. Lewis, Highline School Board, Director District No. 1
- 2. Joey Martinez, Highline School Board, Director District No. 4
- 3. Carlos Ruiz, Highline School Board, Director District No. 4
- 4. Cydney Moore, Burien Council Position No. 2
- 5. Kevin Schilling, Burien Council Position No. 4
- 6. Krystal Marx, Burien Council Position No. 6
- 7. Senayet Negusse, SeaTac Council Position No. 1
- 8. Elizabeth Greninger, SeaTac Council Position No. 3
- 9. James Lovell, SeaTac Council Position No. 5
- 10. Damiana Merryweather, SeaTac Council Position No. 7

Finally, if you would like to sign up for WEA-PAC or to "level-up" your contribution, you can do so <u>online</u>.

In solidarity,

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