

4. If elected, what are three priority issues that you will advocate as a school board member?

1. Increase in proficiency particularly Math
2. Funds for schools within my district
3. Increase of programs designed to improve parenting, i.e. family life education
4. Increase/strengthen financial literacy

5. Based on your knowledge and perceptions, what are the strengths and weaknesses of HCPS? Are there programs, activities or budgetary items that you would add or eliminate?

HCPS ranking statewide is a strength. I believe the variety of educational opportunities is a strength, i.e. magnet programs and schools. My perception is that communities with higher levels of community involvement have a bigger megaphone and are heard by the Board more than communities without such strong advocacy.

6. Please list three ways parental / community involvement can be utilized effectively in our schools.

1. To support and reinforce the school values and educational material presented in class
2. Provide tutor/mentors for students from challenged households
3. Engage business, government and civic leaders to invest in their future employees and community members

7. Please use the space provided below to share any additional information not covered in the previous questions.

Maryland is in a good position to secure federal funding from the Race to the Top initiative. This is a very exciting time. I believe Harford County is uniquely poised to take advantage of this opportunity should it grant to fruition. More intercession in our middle schools would move Harford County up in overall state standings.

I would like to see programs that aggressively recruit and incentivize educators to commit their skills in the schools that have the greatest need.

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