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Issue: School boards are chronically underfunded, and on the heels of an election, education is not the place to make cuts. Locally-elected school boards are urging government to invest in education.

SAMPLE questions to ask political candidates about funding – for voluntary school board use *PLEASE FEEL FREE TO ADD OR REMOVE QUESTIONS AS YOU SEE FIT FOR YOUR LOCAL CONTEXT*****

- What are your plans to support public education in Alberta?
- Locally-elected school boards represent the backbone of our education system. What are your plans to better engage locally-elected school boards in Alberta?
- What do you think is the single most important role school boards play in education?
- What are your plans to better support students with complex needs?
- How do you feel about education funding being tied to enrolment? Do you feel this is sufficient to meet the needs of students? What is your suggested solution to funding shortfalls?
- What is your opinion on private and/or charter schools in Alberta?