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**YOUR TEAM FOR**  
**SCHOOL BOARD**  
FOR EAST WILLISTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**VOTE MAY 20TH**  
**7AM-9PM**  
**WHEATLEY HS**

Dear Neighbors,

We're writing to you not just as candidates, but as two parents and professionals who deeply value this district and what it represents. East Williston is so special, and this election comes at a pivotal time. While others are campaigning on disruption, fear, and misconceptions designed to stir outrage, we're running on facts, vision, and deep respect for our district's people — its educators, students, and families. We're so proud of the East Williston School District, but we're not naïve: It takes vigilant, thoughtful leadership to preserve its excellence and move it **forward**.

### WHAT'S AT STAKE?

There are candidates in this race who traffic in doubt — who question the professionalism of our educators, and who claim that our schools are in decline, but the facts tell a different story.

- The EWSD consistently ranks amongst the top districts in the country.
- Our math and reading proficiency scores are nearly double the state average, and are in the top 5%.
- We are also in the top 1% for science in NYS.
- These results are no accident, and they reflect a culture of collaboration and a commitment to excellence that we must not only protect, but build upon. **That isn't done by burning bridges. It's done by building them.**

### A STRONG BOARD OF EDUCATION:

- Oversees a responsible, student-centered budget that's aligned to district goals.
- Partners with — not undermines — the superintendent to ensure a safe, high-quality learning environment for all.
- Sets policy based on data, law, and community values — not political agendas.
- Respects educators, listens to families, and makes decisions that support *all* students.
- Brings rationality and respect, not chaos. **Collaboration, not constant confrontation. (There is a difference.)**

### FACTS OVER FEAR

When our opponents oversimplify complex issues like "cost per student," we push back with *facts*:

- Our budget is based on so much more than just enrollment. It supports advanced coursework, special education, robust programming, and the individualized learning support our students need — which evolve with our student body.
- Our students are more than just numbers on a balance sheet. A simple matter of division doesn't reflect the complexity of a district that serves *every* child.
- Teachers, staff, and critical programs are not "waste." **And slash and burn is not the strategy.**
- As board members, we will review budget and staffing needs with strategic precision *and* care to ensure that *all* students and educators are well supported for excellence.

### COLLABORATION OVER CHAOS

It's not our style to derail progress for politics. We seek to bring forth ideas, not tear them down.

- We aim to responsibly leverage technology, expand career and technical education, strengthen social-emotional learning, and enhance postsecondary planning, so *every* child has the tools to thrive in a changing world.
- When our opponents' actions do nothing but drain time, resources, and trust from the very district they claim to care about, **that's not standing up — it's standing in the way.**

### INNOVATION OVER INTIMIDATION

We're listening. We engage with respect, and we're here to represent *every* family.

- We aim to build more transparency and trust. It's been a pleasure being out in the community, learning from your stories, and answering your questions — because real leadership starts with *listening*.
- **There's a difference between fixing sidewalks and building bridges — and threats and intimidation have no place in school board governance.** That approach may grab attention, but it fractures trust. It's also just wrong.
  - Insulting our district students on social media? Spreading misinformation? Shaming those who disagree?
  - We reject the politics of exclusion — whether it's tearing down those who serve, marginalizing groups, or sowing distrust in a community that thrives on connection.
- *Every* student has the right to be seen, respected, and valued — without exception. We're choosing a path rooted in respect, inclusion, dignity, and care for *all* students and families. That's real leadership, and that's what East Williston deserves. Vote for Nadia and Bo, and let's innovative **forward together**.

With deep appreciation,  
Nadia Afridi, MD MBA & Bo Hsu, MBA  
Candidates for EWSD Board of Education

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