



Revere Education Justice Alliance

2021 School Committee Candidate Questionnaire

Responses from Stacey Bronsdon-Rizzo

1. Do you support the district providing transportation for all students who live more than 1 mile from school?

DOE policy requires all children in grades k-6 who reside more than 2 miles from the school they are entitled to attend and the nearest school bus stop is more than one mile from their residence are required to have transportation. As long as there is a middle school lottery, I believe those students should be provided transportation also. Even though our high school students have been provided transportation, in the past, the shortage of bus drivers makes it difficult. Fortunately, RHS is centrally located and there is a public bus route from each section of the City.

Yes **No**
2. Would you support the allocation of funds to make AP exams free for any students in AP courses? There are waivers and fee reductions for the AP Exam for eligible students with financial need. In Revere are students are not charged to take the AP exams

Yes **No**
3. Do you have a plan to not only hire, but to retain teachers of color in the district? Research shows that that when taught by teachers of color, students of color have better academic performance, improved graduation rates, and are more likely to attend college. The Strategic Initiative/Objective 1.1 in our District Improvement Plan is to “Increase gender and racial diversity of staff, particularly among teachers and administrators”.

Yes **No**
4. Do you support the creation of English Language Learner-specific pathways to graduation? For those students who meet, are incomplete or even those EL students who were not administered the annual Access 2.0, there are different pathways. Personalized learning or CBL allows these students to work at their own pace. This can also create multiple pathways to graduation.

Yes **No**



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5, Do you commit to increasing the number of guidance counselors and social workers at Revere High School?

To succeed academically and become empathic, engaged and ethical citizens, students need opportunities to develop social and emotional competence. What our students and staff **throughout our District** have experienced in 2 years is like no other. We have added to these positions at RHS but more psychologists, social workers, and guidance counselors would be valuable.

Yes

No

6. Do you commit to increasing the available after school programming at all schools?

I believe that after school programming that is sustainable and inclusive may create a sense of belonging, improve social skills, provide academic support, make learning fun, provide safety/supervision and builds confidence.

Yes

No

7. Do you commit to staffing special education classrooms with full time paraprofessionals?

Every student's IEP and 504 plans are different. If a student is required to have a para throughout the school day, I would prefer 1 fulltime Para vs. 2 part-timers.

Yes

No

8. Do you support the adoption of anti-racist curriculum in grades K-12?

I support a culturally responsive curriculum with some of my guiding questions being: What is the ultimate purpose of school? What opportunities exist to enhance lessons with students? How routinely do we check and adjust our materials they are free of under representation Do we plan opportunities for our students to make choices during learning and have a voice?

Yes

No



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9. Will you use your position as a Revere School Committee Member to support the Fair Share Amendment to increase funding for public schools?

I am proud of my advocacy locally, in the State, and in DC. In 2015, I started following Raise Up and their work on this amendment. And today I support Senator Lewis and his leadership to take this to the ballot again. This revenue is estimated to be as much as \$2 billion each year. A portion of that money would help fund public K-12 and public colleges & universities.

Yes

No

10. Will you support funding for live interpretation at School Committee and School Improvement Council meetings?

This year we have hired 11 fulltime parent liaisons that are bilingual and some are multilingual. These hires have been the most appreciated positions that I have seen in 12 years. Communication is imperative to all our families! With these positions and the 20+ translators I'm anticipating that communication can be supportive through-out the day

Yes

No