

Month Day, 2009

Name (Incumbent/Challenger)
Home Address
City, State, ZIP

Dear _____,

CSEA/SEIU Local 2001 represents thousands of state and municipal employees throughout Connecticut. Because you are running for elected office in _____, our Union's members, who work in your town/schools, are interested in your opinions. This is the first step of our endorsement process and CSEA/SEIU Local 2001's Legislative Action Committee (LAC) has recommended considering endorsing candidates for elected office in your 2009 Municipal Election.

Enclosed please find our Union's "Municipal Candidate Questionnaire." A downloadable version is also linked to our website, at www.csea-ct.com in the "Holding Candidates Accountable" section.

Please respond to all questions and submit the completed form to us at your first opportunity. If you will be on the September 15 primary election ballot for your party, we will need your completed form before our next LAC meeting on Tuesday, September 1. Our mailing address and FAX number appear below, or you may send email to lac@csea760.com.

LAC members will review all completed questionnaires, and may recommend inviting you to attend a meeting with Union members living and working in your community in order to seek their input. Our Executive Council, which is made up of members democratically elected by their peers as delegates, is the highest decision-making body in our Union and will be asked to vote on any LAC-recommended endorsements. We will notify of you if they vote to endorse your candidacy for either the September 15 Primary or November 3 General Election.

We then publish the name and office sought for endorsed candidates in our union's monthly newspaper, the CSEA News, which is mailed to our membership.

Please feel free to contact our Union's Executive Director Robert Rinker at (860) 951-6614, ext. 113, with any immediate questions or concerns. We look forward to your response.

In unity,



Lynn Coda-Klein
Chair, Legislative Action Committee

Enclosures

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