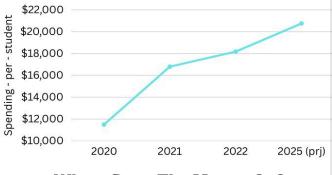
## CHINMAY NAGARKAR For Director, Issaquah School District (ISD). Ballots in the mail by Oct. Vote by Nov 4!

Hi, I'm Chinmay - father, husband, Stanford-trained engineering leader at Google, writer, teacher, and soccer coach. My wife and I moved to Newcastle due to the reputation of the school district. Our daughter thrived in Issaquah's special-education programs, while our son is gifted in Math. I know one size doesn't fit all. My priorities are to restore focus on student well-being and ensure that our high-school seniors are prepared for college or a career in the trades in a fast-changing economy driven by AI. I'll focus on basics like Math and Reading at grade level, and hold the system accountable to outcomes, not activity. I solve hard problems for a living. This community has given us a lot. It's time to give back.

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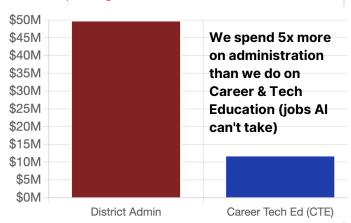
## We spend a lot on Education

**Per-student spending doubled** in four years to \$20K, \$400M budget (excl. construction)



## **Where Does The Money Go?**

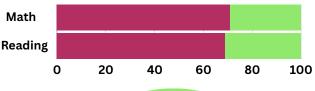
~\$400 Million General Fund Spending on Administration vs. Future Jobs



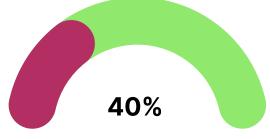


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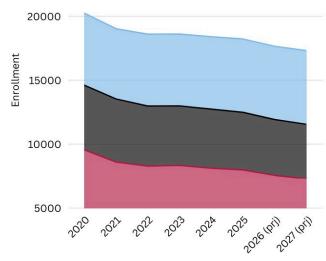
Proficient



**Students in high school feel silenced -** not comfortable speaking in the classroom!

## Result: A community losing trust

## **Families opting out: Falling enrollment**



#### **The Cost of Declining Enrollment**

2,569

\$51M

**Students Lost** 

In Lost Funding

Fewer students means fewer resources for the children who remain.

## A Warning From Bellevue







1 in 3 students in Bellevue have left public schools for homeschool or private options.

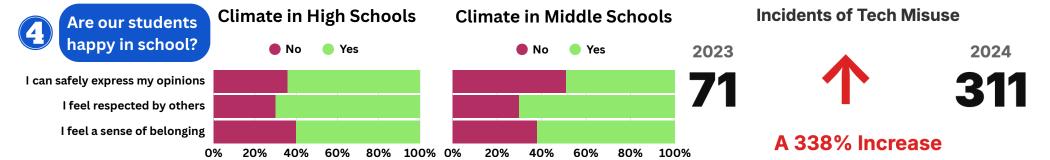
Our survey of 1,000+ Issaquah homes confirms the same trend is happening here.

#### THE CONSEQUENCES FOR BELLEVUE:

→ District in Receivership

→ Forced to Sell Land to Cover Deficit

Data sources: ISD 2024/25 budget guide, 2023 SpeakUp survey, ISD OE evals, kingcounty.gov, OSPI Reportcard



Bullying incidents have doubled in the past year. If elected, I will set goals to improve the climate and reduce distractions in classrooms

Do we take DEI seriously or is it just a slogan?

### Inclusion vs. Reality

Suspension Disparity for Black Middle Schoolers

8.2x

2022

1

2023

10x

### **An Even Playing Field?**

Suspension Disparity for Special Needs Students

High School

4.1x

Middle School

3.5x

A 22% Increase in One Year

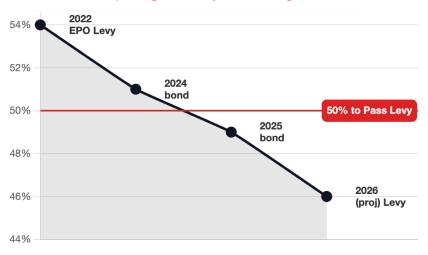
When we suspend special-needs kids more than the average, are we giving them a fair chance?

While we are distracted by culture wars and D.E.I. statements, students are not feeling heard, misuse of smartphones and laptops is on the rise, minority students are being suspended from school at 10x the average rate, and we are not giving students with special needs the care they need. I think we can do better!

If elected, I will audit inclusion & special-needs programs to see what's working, what's failing. We need less drama, more results.

## 6 What happens when taxpayers stop paying?

Voters are rejecting bonds by wider margins.





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After 1:1 conversations with dozens of teachers at their door, I know we need to cut red tape, protect prep time, and back distraction-free classrooms so teachers can teach. In a world where AI is getting better every day, creative and skilled teachers matter more, not less. Let's give them the tools and trust them to innovate. Likewise, we need competence and change on the school board, not the status quo



**Vote for Change. Focus on the Basics. Regain Voter Trust** 

Nonpartisan, results-first oversight: Goals by school; K-3 reading 90% on grade, Grade 10 Math/ ELA ≥ pre-2019 levels, lower truancy and bullying

Evaluate Superintendent on outcomes. "Goals-to-Results" dashboard for public