



# Strong Public Schools

For Colorado

## *BALLOT GUIDE*

ADAMS-ARAPAHOE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
28J (AURORA PUBLIC SCHOOLS)

## STANDARDS, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND TRANSPARENCY

	Do you support holding all charter schools, including online charter schools, to the same standards of accountability and transparency as all public schools?	Do you support national education standards to ensure consistent and strong proficiency in vital subjects, or should states and local districts set their own?	Will you commit to 100% compliance with the letter and spirit of the Colorado Open Meetings Law, and discuss all official business with fellow board members in public, as the law requires?
Kyla Armstrong-Romero	Yes	Yes	Yes
Jane Barber	Yes	No	Yes*
Kevin Cox	Yes	Yes	Yes
Debbie Gerkin	Yes	Yes	Yes
Marques Ivey	Yes	Yes	Yes
Miguel Lovato	Yes	Yes	Yes
Gail Pough	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lea Steed	Did not return survey	Did not return survey	Did not return survey
Barbara Yamrick	Did not return survey	Did not return survey	Did not return survey

\*The complete response was: I support 100% compliance to discuss all official business (except personnel) with board members in open meetings.

## SCHOOL FUNDING

	Do you support the use of taxpayer funds directly or indirectly paying for private schools, including sectarian religious schools?
Kyla Armstrong-Romero	No
Jane Barber	No
Kevin Cox	No
Debbie Gerkin	No
Marques Ivey	No
Miguel Lovato	No
Gail Pough	No
Lea Steed	Did not return survey
Barbara Yamrick	Did not return survey

# HEALTH

	Do you support the teaching of science-based, medically accurate and age-appropriate sexuality education that includes information on abstinence, contraception, cultural differences, sexual orientation, and gender identity in public schools?	Do you support the distribution of the Healthy Kids Colorado Survey on an opt-out basis, an opt-in basis, or not at all?	Do you support confidentiality for minor students with regard to mental health, family planning, sexually transmitted diseases, and prenatal care?
Kyla Armstrong-Romero	Yes	Opt-Out	Yes
Jane Barber	Yes	Opt-Out	Yes
Kevin Cox	Yes	Opt-Out	Yes
Debbie Gerkin	Yes	Opt-Out	Yes
Marques Ivey	Yes	Opt-Out	Yes
Miguel Lovato	Yes	Opt-Out	Yes
Gail Pough	Yes	Opt-Out	Yes
Lea Steed	Did not return survey	Did not return survey	Did not return survey
Barbara Yamrick	Did not return survey	Did not return survey	Did not return survey
	Should students be required to be vaccinated against preventable childhood diseases to attend school in Colorado unless the family opts-out for religious reasons?	Should there be a vaccination opt-out available for personal non-religious beliefs?	Do you support allocating resources to create spaces for students to discuss and create plans of action regarding family crises?
Kyla Armstrong-Romero	Yes	No, with exceptions	Yes
Jane Barber	Yes	No	Yes
Kevin Cox	Yes	No	Yes
Debbie Gerkin	Yes	No	Yes
Marques Ivey	Yes	Yes	Yes
Miguel Lovato	Yes	No	Yes
Gail Pough	Yes	No	Yes
Lea Steed	Did not return survey	Did not return survey	Did not return survey
Barbara Yamrick	Did not return survey	Did not return survey	Did not return survey

## IMMIGRATION

	Do you support undocumented students in your district being able to apply for, and access, DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals)?
Kyla Armstrong-Romero	Yes
Jane Barber	Yes
Kevin Cox	Yes
Debbie Gerkin	Yes
Marques Ivey	Yes
Miguel Lovato	Yes
Gail Pough	Yes
Lea Steed	Did not return survey
Barbara Yamrick	Did not return survey

## COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

	Will you commit to good-faith negotiations with your local education association to produce an employment contract acceptable to all stakeholders?
Kyla Armstrong-Romero	Yes
Jane Barber	Yes
Kevin Cox	Yes
Debbie Gerkin	Yes
Marques Ivey	Yes
Miguel Lovato	Yes
Gail Pough	Yes
Lea Steed	Did not return survey
Barbara Yamrick	Did not return survey

## STUDENT CLUBS AND NON-DISCRIMINATION

	Do you think that non-curricular student clubs should have access to all the resources provided to other curricular student clubs?	Do you believe students and adults should be protected from discrimination based on their actual or perceived sexual orientation and/or gender identity?
Kyla Armstrong-Romero	Yes	Yes
Jane Barber	Yes	Yes
Kevin Cox	Yes	Yes
Debbie Gerkin	Yes	Yes
Marques Ivey	Yes	Yes
Miguel Lovato	Yes	Yes
Gail Pough	Yes	Yes
Lea Steed	Did not return survey	Did not return survey
Barbara Yamrick	Did not return survey	Did not return survey

## SCHOOL DISCIPLINE

	Do you support reducing referrals to law enforcement for minor infractions committed by students, especially younger students?	Do you support the implementation of anti-bullying and safe school programs that are sensitive to a range of physical and psychological disorders, as well as sexual orientation and gender identity?
Kyla Armstrong-Romero	Yes	Yes
Jane Barber	Yes	Yes
Kevin Cox	Yes	Yes
Debbie Gerkin	Yes	Yes
Marques Ivey	Yes	Yes
Miguel Lovato	Yes	Yes
Gail Pough	Yes	Yes
Lea Steed	Did not return survey	Did not return survey
Barbara Yamrick	Did not return survey	Did not return survey