Tip #3 for Parents Talking to Candidates Running for Public Office

Child maltreatment is a preventable public health problem.

Every child in Minnesota is the precious responsibility of all Minnesota citizens.

Child abuse and maltreatment is a preventable public health problem. Every child deserves public policies that give them and their care givers equal access to supportive resources like Circle of Parents support groups that help reduce the chance that abuse and neglect will occur.

SITUATION: Children of color and American Indian children in Minnesota are placed out of home at a higher rate than white children. Minnesota has the highest disparities rate among children in the country in education, health care and child welfare.

FACT: American Indian and African American/Black children had the highest rates of contact with the child protection system. They were 5.5 and three times more likely to be reported as abused or neglected than were white children. (2014 "Child Welfare Report" published by the Minnesota Department of Human Services)

QUESTION: Are you aware of this? How will you work to change these high disparities for Minnesota children?

* Circle of Parents are free community-based support groups for parents, caregivers, and their children, and a program of Minnesota Communities Caring for Children.

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1. Register to vote online at mnvotes.org
2. Same Day Registration means you can register at your polling place on Election Day
3. Mail in a completed registration form to your county elections office