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Questions for State Board of Education #7 with Timestamp Link to Video

(all candidates were invited)

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Alana McWilliams (R)	Ann Zimmerman (D)	Questions
<i>No Video</i>	00:00	1. How are you going to keep in touch with your constituents?
	03:06	2. How will you work to bring people together?
	04:37	3. What sets you apart from your opponent?
	07:27	4. What do you feel is the #1 issue for your office?
	09:22	5. How would you support and retain high-quality teachers, administrators, and school staff throughout Kansas?
	14:03	6. How should the State Board address the academic, social, and mental health needs of students while keeping schools focused on learning?
	18:37	7. How will you ensure that taxpayers, parents, educators, and students have confidence that the State Board is making decisions that are transparent, accountable, and in the best interests of Kansas students?
Video Prior to Primary		
	Ann Zimmerman (D)	Questions
	00:00	Intro
	01:29	Opening Statement
	05:26	Local school boards value making decisions for their communities. Where do you believe the State Board should provide statewide direction, and where should local districts have greater flexibility?
	07:53	Beyond academics , schools help address issues such as attendance, student behavior, safety, and mental health.

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		What role should public schools play in supporting students in these areas?
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	<u>09:59</u>	How should Kansas measure whether schools are succeeding, and what changes, if any, would you make to the current accountability system?
	<u>12:49</u>	How should Kansas schools use these tools to improve learning while protecting academic integrity and student privacy?
	<u>14:38</u>	Looking beyond individual issues, what guiding principles would shape your decisions on the State Board of Education, and how would voters know you are serving the interests of Kansas students rather than special interests or political pressures?
	<u>16:33</u>	Student achievement. Kansas students have different strengths and challenges. What specific actions would you support to improve academic achievement while ensuring every student has the opportunity to succeed?
	<u>19:36</u>	How should Kansas schools balance preparing students for college, technical careers, military service, and direct entry into the workplace?
	<u>21:31</u>	If additional education funding became available, what would be your top priorities for investing those resources and why?
	<u>24:03</u>	The state board represents families across diverse communities. How would you gather input from parents, teachers, students, and local school boards when making statewide decisions?