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Esther Manheimer,

Dear Asheville City Council Members,

As both a parent and employee at ACS, I have experienced first hand how detrimental it is to the quality of our district when we have continuous turnover in leadership. The achievement gap continues to be one of the worst in the state. As a small and well funded district, I know we can do better. I believe in public opinion through the voting for members of our school board.

As a member of the Asheville City Schools community, I am invested in your decision of school board appointments. I feel it is important that educators' voices be given strong consideration as you deliberate on the choices before you. Asheville Association of Educators (ACAE) has the best interest of educators and students in mind when endorsing these candidates. We believe ACS will be strengthened by a school board that is open to two way communication with the stakeholders they represent. I support the Asheville Association of Educatorsâ€™ and Buncombe County Association of Educatorsâ€™ endorsement of Libby Kyles, Jacquelyn Carr McHargue, and Pepi Acebo.

Having public opinion to members of the board is crucial.

Thank you,  
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