The Alliance for a Better Community (ABC) is firm in its belief that education is the cornerstone and the foundation for a better future for all Angelenos. We aim to ensure all students have access to quality schools from PreK-12th grade to prepare them for college and careers, and thus for full participation in the civic, economic and cultural life of our community. This has been a central component of our mission since our inception over 15 years ago, and underscores every aspect of our daily work.

Over the years we have witnessed strong, courageous and informed public education leaders who share our values of equity, equality, and tolerance. Today’s changing and unpredictable landscape at the national level brings unknown implications for our communities. Now, more than ever, we need leaders who will be champions of high quality public education for all, the cornerstone of the American Dream.

As such, ABC seeks LAUSD school board members – present and future – who will commit to the following agenda as a pathway to education and life success for all our children:

Ensure Fiscal Equity, Responsibility and Accountability
- Implement a student-centered deficit reduction plan to address the District’s $11+ billion structural deficit, thereby, ensuring current and future generations of Angelenos the promise of a strong and sustainable public education system.
- Distribute Local Control Funding Formula dollars equitably to provide LAUSD’s most disadvantaged students the supports they need for success.

Create Equitable Access to High Quality Public Schools
- Create and implement policies and system reforms, such as universal enrollment, that ensure equitable access to school choice programs and alternative public school options.
- Replicate and expand successful school models in areas with chronically underperforming schools.

Advance a College & Career Ready Agenda for Every Student
- Restore alignment between the LAUSD high school graduation requirements and CSU eligibility requirements.
- Expand and monitor college/career programs and require all high schools to pursue 100% student FAFSA completion.
- Track key college-ready indicators such as college English and math remediation levels and college graduation rates for students in the LACCD, CSU and UC systems.
- Expand efforts to re-connect young adults who are out of school without a high school diploma to college & career pathways.

Engage Parents as Equal Partners in the Education of their Children
- Ensure all schools provide learning opportunities for parents to strengthen their capacity to support their children’s academic achievement from Pre-K through 12th grade.
- Implement and monitor Parents’ Rights and Responsibilities to ensure quality home-school partnerships.

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