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Dear School Board Members,

The divisive politics of our nation, fueled by many misinformed views of how our republic's institutions perform, abundantly highlight the need to teach a basic course in our schools on how government works.

Please support hiring a new superintendent who is contractually committed to requiring K-12 Mock Elections. I urge you to read the attached Seattle Times op-ed by Web Hutchins & Eric Pettigrew. It succinctly highlights that the responsibility of our public education system is to cultivate informed and engaged citizens. As the highest authority in Seattle responsible for advancing that mission, please include that requirement as a condition that any new school superintendent must work to achieve.

Thank you for that consideration.

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