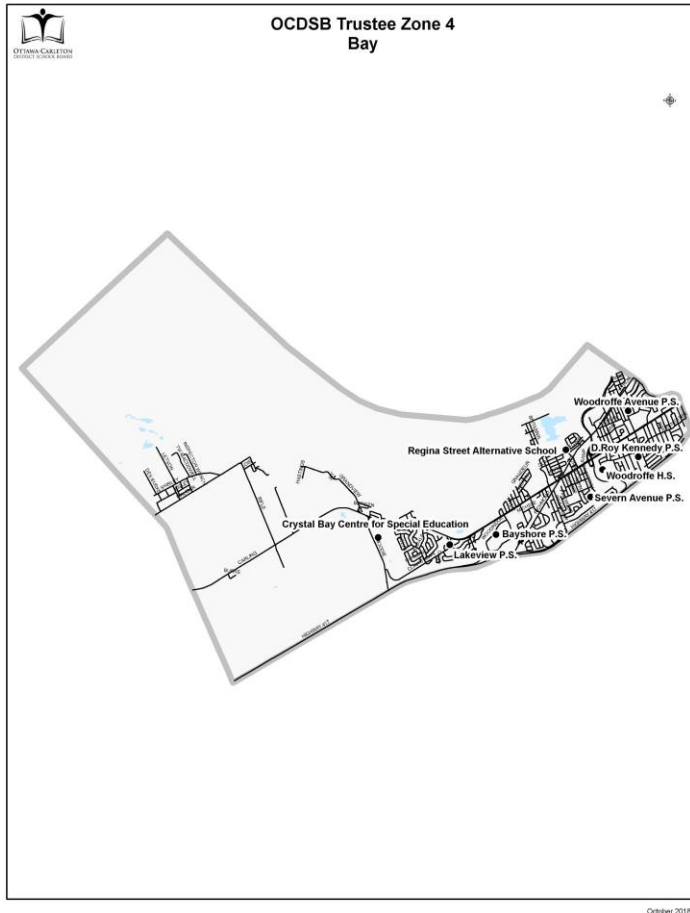


Zone 4- Bay/Kitchissippi



Rasha Alnaqeeb

Did not respond to Federation survey or Ottawa Against Antisemitism survey.

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Survey Response:

Q1: Will you ensure legitimate consultation with the mainstream Jewish community in all aspects of reacting to the antisemitism crisis?

A: Training for antisemitism is key and Jewish groups must be consulted on who is to lead in that training. Antiracist action must involve those with lived experience.

Q2: How will you ensure the Board respects the voices of minority groups and protects all minorities, including Jewish students?

A: More needs to be done to combat racism in schools. At a minimum better accountability when incidents of racism occur. Data must be shared publicly and regularly.

Q3: Would you be supportive of the school board adopting the IHRA definition of antisemitism?

A: Yes

Other

Nash has been in contact with Federation to learn more about antisemitism crisis.

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Survey Response:

Q1: Will you ensure legitimate consultation with the mainstream Jewish community in all aspects of reacting to the antisemitism crisis?

A: Yes of course, and that would be the bare minimum to expect

Q2: How will you ensure the Board respects the voices of minority groups and protects all minorities, including Jewish students?

A: I also strongly believe that the following two ideals below must be diligently maintained: 1) Every person is an individual that deserves respect and dignity at all times, and 2) Our communities matter because they are as much a part of their constituents as the constituents are a part of the group. I believe those two ideals apply to all people, which means it also goes without saying that it holds equally true for the Jewish community. If I were elected, I would push for training for the trustees, superintendents, and the senior leadership at the schools (Principals, VPs, staff leaders) on Equity, Diversity, and Inclusivity, with specific training on major relevant issues including antisemitism. The training would need to be endorsed (and preferably conducted) by respected experts of the relevant communities. As a minimum set of requirements, I would put forth that the OCDSB: (1) adopts a statement with a clear acknowledgment of antisemitism present in our community; (2) promote the use of inclusive and bias-free language; (3) conduct formal training for trustees and senior leaders on EDI issues, including antisemitism; (4) establish a means of reporting and documenting claims and incidences of discrimination; (5) monitor adherence to EDI principles; and (6) publish the specific actions and achievements in quarterly reports. Hate doesn't have a place in our school system, and there is a need for every person in the school system to continue learning.

Q3: Would you be supportive of the school board adopting the IHRA definition of antisemitism?

A: Yes, in its entirety

Other

Wright contacted Federation to learn about antisemitism crisis.

From Ottawa Against Antisemitism survey, “I want to see the findings from the 73rd session of the United Nations General Assembly on “The power of education to prevent racism and discrimination: the case of antisemitism” become implemented (as appropriate) across the school board.” and “I want to see the newsletters recognize and normalize the positive impacts the Jewish community and its members have in our schools.”

Supports hiring a Jewish Equity Coach, in consultation with Federation and the OCDSB’s Jewish Educators Group, while agreeing that ‘Palestinian Youth Movement’ protests are appropriate, and ‘not harmful’ to Jewish or Israeli students.