## Two Liberal Menomonee Falls School Board Candidates Receive Massive Cash Donations From Democrat Party

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The Wisconsin state Democratic Party has carpet-bombed nearly \$17,000 in direct donations to two liberal candidates running for the Menomonee Falls School Board. The huge donations have all come in in the last 15 days and it's possible more is coming. The amount is staggering for a local school board campaign.

Campaign finance disclosure statements by candidates John Witt and Jessica Birkholz show Witt received over\$8500 in three lump sum donations from the Madison-based Democratic Party, all since March 12. The other leftist, Jessica Birkholz, got over \$8100. There is no way of knowing if even more money is coming.

It is common for political parties to support candidates in local elections but direct donations, especially of this size, are rather rare. In this instance, the state Democrats have targeted Menomonee Falls. State law limits how much money and an individual can donate to a candidate for local office but there is no limit on how much political parties can give. It's certainly possible that somebody gave the money to the Democrats so they could then give it to Birkholz and Witt but I have no way of knowing if that's what happened.

It's also unclear if the Democrats are spending this kind of money in other local school board races. Menomonee Falls school board now has a conservative majority after years of being controlled by hardline leftists. The Democrats have made it a mission to regain control of school boards in Waukesha County and Menomonee Falls, Elmbrook and Waukesha are all facing showdown elections in which candidates who support DEI and gender radicalism are trying to oust conservatives.

In Menomonee Falls, the two conservative candidates trying to hold their seats are Jennifer Grant and Travis Langer. Both are endorsed by the local Republican Party. In many conservative communities, liberal candidates have objected to Republican involvement in these races, saying they shouldn't be "partisan." But in Menomonee Falls, the Democrats are making it as partisan as possible by dumping staggering amounts of money in normally low-spending school board races.

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