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Dear Editor of the Carroll County Times,

The Carroll County Education Association (CCEA) is excited to announce our endorsements for the upcoming School Board election this November.

CCEA endorses both Dr. Amanda Jozkowski and Ms. Muri Dueppen for the two open seats. Both candidates provided completed questionnaires, interviewed exceptionally well, and are fully qualified to meet the challenges that our county faces.

**Dr. Amanda Jozkowski** has repeatedly demonstrated an interest in involving ALL stakeholders in the decision-making process, being data-driven, and doing a better job of communication and transparency.

**Ms.** Muri Dueppen has made it clear that she has done her homework and is well-versed in numerous educational issues. Her preparation and commitment to the broader community has been proven again and again.

CCEA is committed to making the endorsement process as impartial and democratic as possible. Once the Interview Team reviews the completed questionnaires (all questionnaires submitted can be found on our website) and interviews the candidates, they move their recommendation to the Executive Board and then the Representative Assembly (made up of CCEA representatives from each school/worksite in the county). Finally, we use Election Buddy to put a final vote to our entire membership. These two candidates won this election by a 30 to 1 margin.

We want to thank all of the candidates who participated in our process. This is never an easy decision, but CCEA is committed to endorsing the candidates that best represent our members' interests.

CCEA represents over 2,000 teachers, school counselors, media specialists, registered nurses, related service providers, and more who work in Carroll County Public Schools.

Respectfully submitted,

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