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THE COALITION FOR HISPANIC/LATINO ISSUES AND PROGRESS

CHIP CANDIDATES' FORUM AGENDA

LORAIN HIGH SCHOOL PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

Wednesday, April 8, 2026 6:30p.m. - 9:00p.m.

2600 ASHLAND AVENUE (back of building)

Lorain, Ohio 44052

The Coalition for Hispanic/Latino Issues & Progress (CHIP) has invited selected contested Primary Election candidates to participate in this bi-annual forum. Lorain City Schools is recording this event and will broadcast the event on multiple dates prior to May 5, 2026, Primary Election. This Forum is facilitated by Trustee Michael Ferrer along with Trustees & Conference Co-Directors Carmen Leibas and Alisha Pardon.

Candidates have 1 minute for an opening statement. Next, they will be asked a series of questions by the panelists with 1 minute to respond to each. Candidates conclude with a 1-minute final statement. The candidates received a list of possible questions upon their arrival (starting at 6:15pm). Although friends/advisors are welcome to attend, the real audience is Lorain County via television so look at the camera when responding. Candidates have been warned of the consequences of disparaging their opponents when providing responses to CHIP questions.

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| 7:00pm | Welcome | CHIP President | Juanita Senquiz |
| 7:07pm | LC Issue 11 | Additional 0.85 mills – Murray Ridge Developmental Disabilities | Dr. Amy Fisher Murray Ridge Levy Cmte |
| 7:12pm | Municipal Issue 15 | Lorain City – Renewal 1.7 mills – 5 years Fire Department Maintenance & Service | Bret Brown, Vice-President IAFF Local 267 |
| 7:17pm | School/Other Issue 5 | Lorain City School District - Additional 11 mills continual period of time - Current Expenses | Dr. Jeff Graham, LCSD Superintendent |
| 7:22pm | School/Other Issue 6 | Lorain Public Library - Renewal 5.96 mills 10 years – Current Expenses | Chris White, Chairman LPL Levy Committee |
| 7:27pm | School/Other Issue 7 | Lorain Public Library - Domonkas Branch Additional 2.2 mills – 5 years – Current Expenses | Richard Ackerman, Chairman Dom. Branch Levy Committee |
| 7:35pm | State Representative 52 nd District | Mike Baker (D) | Graig Bansek (D) |
| 7:48pm | State Representative 53 rd District | Matt Lundy (D) | Dan Nutt (D) |
| 8:02pm | Representative to Congress 5 th District | Daniel John Burket (D) Brian A. Shaver (D) | Martin M. Heberling III (D) Scott E. Tabor (D) |
| 8:27pm | Lorain County Commissioner | Jeff Riddell (R) | Will Schlecter (R) |
| 8:41pm | Lorain County Commissioner | Brian A. Baker (D) | Carolyn Y. White (D) |
| 8:55pm | Final Comments | CHIP President | Juanita Senquiz |