

The NHC GOP Podcast

Episode 3:21 Ready to Go! Natosha Tew for NHC Board of Education

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Reuel Sample: Welcome to the NHC GOP podcast. You can't see them, but she is being stalked by a cat. I am happy to be joined by Natosha Tew, who is our Republican, one of our Republican candidates for for the Board of Education. Welcome to the podcast tonight, Natosha.

Natosha Tew: Thank you. Thank you for having me. Hello, everyone.

Reuel Sample: It has been a busy few weeks for you. It's tough catching up with you. You are actually boarding a flight to go to. Or maybe you're driving to Washington, DC for a Moms for Liberty. So thanks for taking the time for, uh, for talking with us. Uh, wanted to start right off the bat with something that you mentioned as we were getting ready for this podcast. Uh, the Supreme Court has has dealt a severe blow to Title IX. However, there are some things that are still brewing from that. What's going on with that, Natosha?

Natosha Tew: Well, I wouldn't say that they dealt a blow to Title IX. I think they just reinforced the true intention behind it. What they dealt a blow to was the Biden-Harris administration's unconstitutional rewrite of Title IX, which would allow boys in our girls locker rooms on their sports teams and their bathrooms. And if our girls decided to make a complaint about that, or if one of our teachers misgendered a student, sexual harassment charges could be filed.

Reuel Sample: Now, I listened to a podcast with Riley Gaines. If you don't know who Riley Gaines is, she's the she's the NCAA level swimmer who brought all this to the to the attention of the of the world, actually. And she was telling me the stories of colleges where the when the, the, the girls who were swimming would complain about boys in the bath in their bathrooms. The girls would be sent to sensitivity training. Is that what's going on here?

Natosha Tew: Well, that's what the Biden-Harris administration is paving the way for and giving them legal latitude.

Reuel Sample: People think that that's just at the college level. But you're saying that's coming down. The rewrite was for all levels.

Natosha Tew: Any or any institutional role that accepts federal funding is subject to these laws.

Reuel Sample: And our and our our even our county schools get federal funding, even.

Natosha Tew: Our county government.

Reuel Sample: So the Supreme Court kind of dealt a blow to the to the rewrite, sort of. But what's still going on? What what do we have to worry about?

Natosha Tew: Well, it's still in litigation. We were awarded a preliminary injunction, state by state. There are states are joining the original lawsuit that started off with four individuals of members of moms for Liberty and two other organizations and the states. I think right now we're up to 26 out of 50. That could have increased over the past week. Unfortunately, North Carolina is not one of them. We have a Democratic governor and a Democratic AG. So, um, we are going to have to fight it out county by county. And that's wonderful for the counties that have moms for liberty, although I will say the counties that don't have a mome for Liberty chapter, go join one of the chapters, you would still be covered. Um, we have several members in the New Hanover County Moms for Liberty Roll that are from Brunswick County, and they don't have a chapter yet. And so they are joining our like under our umbrella until we can help establish their chapter. This provides each school building, not the district, which is important because in our county we have one school district with 45 different school buildings. In other counties in the state. They are broken up into like separate districts. So it's by the building. And it's really important when you can join for moms for Liberty for free. And you just have to be an associate member. We don't blow you up with emails. I am so busy. Um, but monthly newsletters, we keep you apprized of legislation going on locally and at the state level, even at the federal level. Um, and just being an associate member of a moms for Liberty provides your child and the school that that child is, um, a level of protection, an exemption from these. Ridiculous. Right.

Reuel Sample: So you are running for the Board of Education here, that federal funding. That's a lot of money that comes, but it also comes with a lot of strings. How are you going to fight or even cut those strings when you get on board?

Natosha Tew: Well, I think would surprise a lot of people to know that the United States Department of Education. Only 9% of their budget actually makes it to schools. The rest goes to fund itself. Of course. Administration 4000 plus employees. Um, 61% of North Carolina's budget goes to education. So they. I don't want to ever hear someone say that there's not money there. It's not being spent wisely. It's not being spent at its best use. So I coming on to the board, I think every school district should go through an

audit. Um, it's really important to get a baseline of where we're at, where that money is being spent. And we need to just review and recalibrate of how we see, um, moving forward would best serve our students and teachers.

Reuel Sample: I went to Grove City College in western Pennsylvania, where we cut all ties to the government by stopping all federal funding. Is that a possibility here in New Hanover County?

Natosha Tew: I it could be. It's going to be a growing pain. I don't I wouldn't know the exact amount because there are some grants that I don't think we were awarded this year that some of the programs are dependent on. I don't want to say I'm cutting any money out because I know everyone would start freaking out, but what we can do is we can reprioritize things. We can I don't know, people are aware watching this, but the annual subscriptions just for Google and the the online services, our our school board asked and they budgeted for 4 million a year and they requested an additional 5 million more from the that's \$9 million a year we're spent on annual renewal subscriptions. That's a recurring expense. I honestly think we can cut that down in some way. I don't believe elementary schools need to have 1 to 1 devices. Um, I think that should be more of a hands on tactile interaction type of learning The environment, and that might be a graduated up into middle school then high school. Have those in there. Certainly not worth \$9 million a year.

Reuel Sample: And let's go back to this Title IX stuff is that if you are a father of two girls, which which I am, and I found out that that gray hair that's and I find, find out that there's a boy going in and changing in front of them, I'm telling you. Is that is that that would be tough to take. And that's what this revision of Title IX would, would do. And it's not just in the college level, it's at all age levels. And these are what the Democrats are proposing.

Natosha Tew: It's absurd. It's I mean, true insanity. This would have been and this should be a crime. It is a crime.

Reuel Sample: It used to be a crime.

Natosha Tew: What you would have been arrested for even posing this. We live in crazy times. Um, you've seen even in Fairfax, Virginia. And there was a case down in Georgia in 2018 with a five year old that was assaulted in the bathroom by a young boy that was in gender transition.

Reuel Sample: I call that I call that in the midst of child abuse, because the only person who's putting that through that person, through that kid, through gender transition, is an adult someplace.

Natosha Tew: Exactly. We won't let them get tattoos. And I have a 17 year old, and she loves those. The fake lashes. She she had to be 16 to get them. But they're going to let a child go mutilate their body and take puberty blockers. It's it's obscene.

Reuel Sample: See, Title IX started off as a good thing for women in this country. It allowed women access to master's degree programs and then it it morphed into making sure that women have access to sports and other opportunities. But this has become insane. Natosha, what are why are the Democrats driving at this, this hard? Do you know what their end game is?

Natosha Tew: Possibly it would mean that I would understand their reasoning and their I don't, I don't know. I think right now they're just committed to it. I'm with the recent developments over the past summer, which wow, so much happened, especially with the recent RFK endorsement and today's endorsement by Tulsi Gabbard there. I think there's that people are starting to meet in the middle. I know as a parent and I hear this a lot, I don't I am very, very conservative. I have friends who are not as conservative. But on one thing we can agree is we want our kids to be healthy. We want them to be happy and safe. They're not safe and happy in these schools that are just like prison camps. Almost. Even the food, I mean, please, you know, it looks so similar. Almost. It's kind of wild. And now we're putting all these really mature thought toppings in there, accessing when honestly, they just need to be focused on reading and writing and doing arithmetic. Um, I think we need to just get back to basics. And whether you're a Democrat or a Republican, um, we recognize that our children are not only in a health crisis and an education crisis, but a mental health crisis. And it comes from poor nutrition, no exercise and lack of stimulation. I mean, if you look at pictures of just in this area, because I was getting ready for Labor Day, and you see all these older pictures of

Wrightsville Beach and Carolina Beach, and you don't see like 50 years ago, you don't see the overweight people there, people very active. Um, 70% of our children, our youth, are overweight or obese.

Reuel Sample: Interesting. And and it starts it starts right now when they're in school. It starts right now. It's it's, uh, but at the same. Well, we're talking about that and RFK Jr is, is going to launch from what I understand, a child's health commission with Donald Trump. That's going to be fantastic.

Natosha Tew: People are aware of how the process that we eat, how it has a direct correlation, just the function of our bodies. Our bodies were not meant to consume stuff like that. And then we're children to sit in a classroom for seven hours and focus. It's it doesn't kind of make sense at all.

Reuel Sample: It doesn't make sense at all. Especially if you're a boy way a lot of school districts have taken away recess. How are you going to be a boy and get through the day without running around the yard. Can you imagine that?

Natosha Tew: Right before JFK was assassinated? He had endorsed a physical training, a PT program out of a California high school. I don't I need to find the name of it because I've been wanting to bring it up, I think. Very rigorous. It's amazing. But we're talking like these kids. Not that we want. We don't want to send any of our kids off to battle, but they I mean, they could run the five. They could run five miles. They could do the, you know, 200 push ups. Find me a kid today that can. That's not on a sports team.

Reuel Sample: Right. Well, I'm old enough to remember the President's Commission on Athletics, where you had had had Arnold Schwarzenegger on there leading everything. I'm going to pump you up. Uh, things like things like that. And we don't see that anymore. And just to round this, this whole conversation up about Title IX is that you are running against three Democrats, and they are connected to the same Democrat party who is pushing this at all levels. We can't emphasize this enough is that if a vote for a Democrat here in New Hanover County is a vote to allow women to be to be in unsafe places with boys. You can't put it any any stronger than that.

Natosha Tew: I mean, I don't I try to make it where it's more relatable to people. But I think you've said it as simply as you can. Would you feel safe in your with your daughter going into a locker room, a bathroom with a biological male.

Reuel Sample: And that that crosses, as you said, that crosses party lines. I don't care whether you're a Republican or Democrat voter. You want your kids safe.

Natosha Tew: And look out over the Olympics. And I've had the opportunity to meet Peyton McNabb, who suffered life. She's suffering lifelong consequences of against a male volleyball player. I, I can't imagine what her parents felt. I am enraged thinking about it, because that's not fair play. That's taking every bit of fairness out of sports and women as a whole. I would say like top CEO levels, I think almost 80 to 85% of them, maybe even 90 had they participated in sports. When they're at that level, it gives women. And I'm a I'm an athlete, I loved it. I mean, I didn't go on to collegiate level, but it gave me it gave me a team. I learned that I had to work as a team, like work as a team. I put my time in, I trained, um, and I couldn't imagine our girls not having that opportunity or not feeling safe enough to join something like that.

Reuel Sample: For, uh, for those of you who don't know the person that Natosha referenced, Peyton was a member of the girls volleyball team in Hiwassee Dam, uh, high school team. And she, uh, received a spike in the face From a transgender female. Basically a guy in in dressing up as a girl. Right.

Natosha Tew: At 70 miles an hour, they estimate.

Reuel Sample: 70 miles an hour. She still has mental problems. She still has to be read everything because she can't. She can't process things in the natural way. And this guy gets on social media and harasses her all the time. That is the result of this transgender movement. This this Title IX movement that the Democrats want.

Speaker3: To morph over into a different topic, but it seems how it's the unruliness like the lack of fairness is also also morphing over and crossing lines into school safety and discipline. It's like a free for all and it I my daughter's described it quite like a war zone. She doesn't even want to use the bathroom on campus.

Reuel Sample: Well, let's, let's let's talk about that. Let's talk about school safety is that we have talked a lot in the past about SROs, school safety resource officers. They're basically police officers in schools. And under the Republican government and the leadership, we passed a budget that put more SROs in schools. Democrats wanted to take them away because they thought the presence of police would be, I don't know...

Natosha Tew: Um, our teachers are being asked to perform a lot of duties, that they were not one they didn't join this profession to do. They didn't join to be a counselor. They didn't join to be an SRO. Um, or, you know, or security. They, they, they join this profession. So they teach and they are being asked to do much to not give them more support is absurd to me. Um, our school safety, um, not just across the state, across the nation is a far cry from what I grew up in and something I learned as a parent, and I'm the more active I'm becoming, is. Nothing is like what it was when I was in school. Um, and we need to be able to provide teachers a little bit more support when we've got children. First of all, we need to have direct consequences for these actions. Um, I think that's the first stop. I what I've heard going through the climate survey, reading all those responses, there's no support there. Um, when they do make a complaint and when they did, they the those stats got a little fudged because they didn't want it to seem one way or the other. They wanted to seem like there's really not much going on. But as a mom who has a kid in those schools, I can tell you for a fact. Um, it's I don't know how any child can learn in that kind of environment.

Reuel Sample: Um, kids need to be safe in order to learn if they're constantly looking over their heads. And that's just just even at the elementary and middle school levels. And when you get up into the high school levels is that if you don't these these guys can, can and, uh, put some serious hurt on people. And they have in the past we've had.

Natosha Tew: These are adults just with children's minds. They're growing up. Most of these guys are bigger than the teachers that are teaching them.

Reuel Sample: Yes. Yes. And and without police officers, you know, we call them safeties or safety resource officers. They're police officers without that kind of presence in schools, the inmates run the asylum basically.

Natosha Tew: Well, I think. What was suggested is they're going to have more social workers monitor the halls. I don't know if that's I don't know if that's the.

Reuel Sample: You know, the thing is, is that I know social workers and and social workers are great. They do a wonderful, wonderful job. But that's not the job that they're trained for.

Natosha Tew: I don't think they want to handle that either.

Reuel Sample: Yeah. But in addition to SROs, there's there's, uh, there's other programs across the country that have worked. Uh, is it dads for schools or something like that where you get these, these retired guys who just go to the schools every day, and it's an amazing program.

Natosha Tew: Um, that's something I'm hopeful with Mark Robinson being elected because I asked them, would that be something we could start at a state level, one of those committees to get a school safety commission of making that just not Hanover County, but kind of modeled it after Florida. That is the one that comes particularly to mind. Um, I think that would be such a great use of our resources and another way of invest in the community, community members, into the success safety of our school. I remember growing up like we had a grandparents dance at Valentine's, and all the community got together to help decorate the gymnasium and cook the food and make the. They did the music and made it so it was such an involvement and an investment at every level that, you know, people wanted to see not just those children, your child succeed, but you wanted to see all the children to succeed. And I mean, I this is the experience I wanted to give my daughter. And fortunately, that's not the case. But I don't think it's really far out of the reach to get it back, back in place. I know that we have the people that want to make it happen. We have just got to we just got to kind of recalibrate and get going in the right direction. The budget put through us for a loop and it's not going to be easy fix. Superintendent search that. That's going to be that's going to take some time. We have to do this. It's it's not easy but possible. And you just got to have strong leadership. You've got to have an effective communicator and you've got to have someone that's willing to sit down and have those tough conversations.

Reuel Sample: Let's talk about the superintendent a little bit, because the firing of Doctor Foust was not just a getting rid of a particular philosophy that was just out to far left lunch, is that there was some financial repercussions that went along with that in a good way. That freed up a lot of money for New Hanover County, didn't it?

Speaker3: Well, we did have to do but 3 more years left on his contract. Mhm. Um, so it gives us that opportunity. Um, one I wish we had never re-signed his contract. Um, and I feel like the board members that did sign that do regret it. Um, unfortunately it's in the past and we're going to move on. He's not here now. Um, I think it sent a good signal to the teachers that the board members, they finally heard the message. And what I took from the climate survey and my interactions, not just with the board members, current board members, but with the teachers I know that are working in our schools is they felt like there was a huge disconnect and that there's not good communication going on. Um, I'm, I feel like, um, I'm not the only one that heard that message. And by, by taking that step in July and finally getting rid of Doctor Foust, the teachers were like, at least the ones that were like, thank you. Finally.

Reuel Sample: It was interesting to note at the end there, he was not just fired along philosophical lines, he was not doing his job. He was not communicating. And it quite frankly, I hate this term, but it was a toxic culture within the the New Hanover County staffing system and teacher system.

Natosha Tew: Yes, I agree. Um, and I think that goes it's I hate that it got to this point. I really do because it feels like we've lost really important years. And my daughters were a part of that, those years that were lost. But this is a huge step in the right direction. Um, I think people are recognizing the parents in this community. Want to get back to the basics. Um, and with this movement forward, I think the parents feel like they've been heard. I feel like the teachers feel like they've been heard. And that goes communication goes a long way. People just want to know that you are listening to what they are expressing, what they need. And if they know that, then more people are willing to come to the table. But it's frustrating when you feel like I'm up there every month and you're doing the same thing. Nothing's changed. What's the point?

Reuel Sample: What it seems like has been reestablished, or at least we're starting to get to that point. Is this essential communication between parents, teachers and the school board And Faust was just kind of throwing all that off in every particular way.

Natosha Tew: It almost it seemed like it was just a concerted effort to control all communication.

Reuel Sample: Now you're going to be on the board. You see how confident I am. You're going to be on the board. Now, when we are looking for a new, uh, superintendent, this has got to happen. We've got a good interim in there right now. Doctor Barnes is going to do a good job, but he's not the full time replacement. So what kind of superintendent are you going to be looking for?

Natosha Tew: I want, we want I say I this is it's I'm not the educator. I am a parent. So I can tell you where I'm coming from as a parent. So I've reached out to my contacts and what the common message is, or what I'm hearing is they want a strong leader, an effective communicator, a good manager, like a consistent, fair manager that can keep politics out. And I'm completely on board with all of that. Um, I think the job description in and of itself is if it's followed and if and if it's, you know, being enforced, it's great. Unfortunately, that's not the case in the previous administration. And I can tell you one thing, it will be when I'm on that board. Um, I want this is going to be a superintendent. Superintendent for all kids, just like I'm going to be a school board member for all the kids, not just the ones in public school for every child in this county. And I want to make sure we're instilling America first values. I want to make sure our kids are reading that they have civic literacy, that there is fair and consistent discipline in our schools, our teachers and our and our administrators need to be transparent. Our kids and parents, they should be accountable.

Reuel Sample: We've always we've said this numerous times before. The school board sets the policy. The superintendent enforces that policy. But he's not a lackey. He's got to know what he's doing. He's got to be a professional. But those professionals with those conservative credentials have got to be out there.

Natosha Tew: They do. And they are. I'm sure of it. But I think a lot of them are members of organizations, um, like the educators, you know, NEA, AA, they've got their

own superintendent organizations. They tend to be more left leaning. And fortunately, it seems like Higher Education Institute has been captured, unfortunately. And, uh, where it's going to take a little bit of a search, but I can I can tell you that I'm not the only one that's in this fight. There are other little Natosha's, God help us all, in every county in this country, and that means there are other superintendents that want to be a part of the solution as well. Um, there are organizations that are providing alternatives for our teachers for like alternative unions, alternative training options We just have to be willing to put the work in and make those connections. Everything in government has to run at the pace of a snail, unfortunately.

Reuel Sample: Well, you know what? Also fortunately, because if it if it went faster, it would be it would be much a lot of this stuff would be just gone by now and we'd be in worse trouble. Government's supposed to be slow. We are talking to Natosha TEw, who is working for your vote to get on the school board. I call it the school board. It's the board of education. I just I'm just I don't know, it's the board of education, the school board here in New Hanover County. Uh, talking about a whole bunch of things. I want to move on to this. Next thing I want to talk about, teachers, is that we are always in need of teachers. Teachers come and go. Uh, but we we need to get them, and we need to keep them. What are your plans for that? Just a reminder that the GOP led legislature passed a budget that increased that kind of pay and salary. But we got to get them here. What are your plans on that?

Natosha Tew: Well, as we spoke to earlier, I think a lot of it is I mean, teachers come here, they want to enjoy what they're doing. They don't want to feel unsafe. They don't want a toxic environment. And for the past few, I mean, many years, fortunately, going back to before I even looked into this school board or board of education with anything with this prior superintendent and the 20 years of sex scandals, it's had a bad time. It's got a bad taste in my mouth. How do we get good teachers back here? We need a good. We need strong leadership. We need a good, strong leader that is effective at getting the message out. That is a relatable manager, a relatable boss. These teachers need to feel that he's this him or her? She or he? However, they don't just arrive to just take a picture that they're to interact, to learn, to be a part of their day. Um, and I think that would actually go a long way of healing some divide between the teachers and the central office for the. One of the things I hear is they just don't feel like they're they don't feel like their opinion matters because they're going to do what the central office is going

to do anyway. So it's really important we find a strong leader with the vision that aligns with our vision, and we give him, the him or her, the support that they need.

Reuel Sample: And then from the from, from the teacher's point of view is that you're going you're going to support them in everything they possibly can do.

Natosha Tew: I have a good idea about this? And it's because I've been doing a lot of research and I've been I don't know if I can do this at the district level, but with my mom, with my inner my involvement with Moms for Liberty at the legislative level, I am going to make this one of my. Have you ever heard of a teacher savings account?

Reuel Sample: I have not. I've heard of health care savings accounts, but not a teacher savings account.

Natosha Tew: Very similar. It would be. I'm not sure if there's any states that I think there's a few states that have this going on. And so I've got to do a little research, but it's similar to the health savings account. And it's reissued for all educators public private home school charter. It's part of it's built into the budget. And it's like their own card. And they get to use it for whatever expense that they need. Let's just say it's \$1,000 per teacher. Mhm. They can use it for their professional development. Extra supplies. It's there will be accounting of course there will be an audit done. So you have to match up your receipts, make sure it's educational related. But it's at the discretion of how they use those money. And they don't have to go ask permission from central office.

Reuel Sample: And that would be I would assume that that would go into a tax free or tax deferred system Systems so that anything they spend and let's face it, teachers spend a lot of their own income on.

Natosha Tew: Thousand dollars each year.

Reuel Sample: That's amazing. That's amazing. And this would allow them to do that with some tax benefits as well.

Natosha Tew: And if parents that want to donate or teacher, they can do a direct tax free donation to that account.

Reuel Sample: That's a great idea. That's a great idea.

Natosha Tew: This is what this is what happens when you do some reading kids.

Reuel Sample: Well, let's talk about something else. Is that you? You have you have brought it up a few times, but you are a member of the Moms for Liberty and you are heading off to Washington, DC. What? Wednesday?

Speaker3: Wednesday.

Reuel Sample: Wednesday. You've got some great speakers there for Summit 24. And the reason why I'm bringing this up is not necessarily to promote Moms for Liberty, which is a great organization, but it sort of helps define who you are. Uh, you've got folks like, uh, President Donald Trump, uh, Glenn Beck, Tulsi Gabbard, um, Rob Schneider, who I think is absolutely hilarious. Uh, Seth Dillon, who's, uh, the kicker from Saint Louis and, and others who are coming to your event to Moms for Liberty. Talk about moms for Liberty for a little bit.

Natosha Tew: I've been a part of this organization. I was struggling when I first started speaking up at that school board meeting back in 2020. Um, I wasn't familiar with how things worked when anything about the school board and I looked for some kind of help, and I came across moms for Liberty, and I wasn't sure if that's something I wanted to do. And, uh, in June of 2022, I made that commitment that I'm going to be a part of it. And I'll be honest, it's given me so much support, access to resources that I never would have thought of like before. And even with this recent Title IX, I don't think any of us expected how important of a role we would play this organization would play in to help protecting our our students at the school. Um, I'm really excited for what's coming up. They always have incredible breakout sessions, great speakers. This year we are um, they have timed it where we are that Saturday. We're collaborating. We're joining forces with over 150 other nonprofits that directly impact children for the first ever March for kids.

Reuel Sample: Nice. Yeah, nice.

Natosha Tew: It is really something special I can't. I'm excited. We were going to do a march up to Capitol Hill. Fortunately, with some elevated security concerns, they've moved it to a different location. I was with President Trump being there. I can understand that. Regardless, it's going to be an incredible turnout, and I can't wait to tell you all about it when I get back.

Reuel Sample: I love it. We'll have you on. We'll have you on so you can talk about that. But one of the reasons why I bring that up is that you are running for school board. You're going to be on the school board, but the school board can't do everything. It was never meant to do everything. And so parents need to get involved with things like Moms for Liberty, their local. Do we still have PTAs or PTOs? I'm sure we do. And all those things that are that are available to be involved in every aspect of their kids lives because let's face it, is that, uh, studies have shown over and over and over again when parents are involved in their kids education, their kids get their kids do well.

Natosha Tew: It shouldn't surprise anybody. Um, unfortunately, it's not as a recent like it's not as such an occurrence like it used to be. I would love this is what I would love to see more often of is parents say to the like full call to audience instead of just after the whole awards ceremony. At school board meetings. All parents should stay to see their kid get acknowledged and they never listen to what the business is being talked about. It's the same folks faces over and over. We're pulling more people in. It's going to. You just have to have patience. Um, as moms for Liberty, it does allow us to help get that message out to the parents that can't make it, that are working or, you know, they just don't. It's, you know, for New Hanover County to be such a small county role, it takes you 40 minutes to get anywhere at five. I totally get it. Um, I I'm I'm super proud of that fact. I never thought I'd never dreamed I'd be in this position of keeping people informed of what's going on at the Board of Education. But it's so important that we, as parents and grandparents, stay involved and shape the future of our these beautiful minds.

Reuel Sample: Natosha, you are on the web at natoshaforschools.com. I'm going to put that up on the website. I'm going to put that up here. NatoshaforSchools.com. Look at that. We even have we have banners now down there. Yeah. So they can go to your website to get more information. But it is even more important education and campaigns

for education take money. And and the Democrats are pumping a lot of money into New Hanover County, and they don't even live here. And so how can people help you out?

Natosha Tew: They can visit my website, Natosha for schools. Com there's a donation link right there at the top or at the very bottom of the page. Um, please donate to my campaign. We we've got more yard signs. We've got some texting campaigns that's coming up. Anything that any amount is appreciated. Every dollar counts. Like you said, some of my opponents have a lot of money coming in from up north, which should make you wonder, what is it that the North wants to be involved with about New Hanover County politics and education?

Reuel Sample: Well, we are really the bellwether of, of Carolina is that there's no question about it. Now you're also going to be at the Make Waves day, aren't you out there at the, at the aquarium.

Natosha Tew: I am there's a huge lineup for that day. Um, it's Thursday, September 5th at Kure Beach at the aquarium, 630. They've got Hal weatherman Michelle Mora. Oh my goodness, Charlie Miller. They've got everybody there. I'm just a I'm a little line at the very bottom.

Speaker3: But that's but the local politics like the Board of Education are very important. And and the thing for folks to know is that it's not you up on a stage someplace. You are at a table right there on the floor talking to people coming in. There's no script. That you have no idea what they're going to ask you. So if you haven't made your reservations, Natosha Tewis going to be there at the Make Waves at the aquarium. What else do you have coming up?

Natosha Tew: Um, I have my, uh. My kids and Moms for Liberty have joined forces to help sponsor the car show at sea on October 12th. It's from 10 to 3. The the rain out date? October 13th. So we're going to be there all day. My daughter is super excited because she's all into cars.

Reuel Sample: Are you going to be there with your car in the hood open and everything else and your nice clean engine?

Speaker3: Oh I wish.

Reuel Sample: Natosha is so great to have you on board on our podcast. I'll give you the last word for tonight.

Natosha Tew: I just want to thank everyone for listening. And don't think that vote doesn't count. I'm going to get out early. Uh, early vote on October 17th. Bank that vote. You don't know what the threats are going to try to pull on Election Day. Um, if you can volunteer. Volunteer, please get a hold of us. But don't forget to go to every box on that ballot. We need a conservative in every office. Um, it just helps make our jobs easier when we have the support of people that have values that align with us. Um, and just keep us in your prayers. Visit my website, Natosha for schools. Com follow us on social media. And yeah, just keep us in your prayers.

Reuel Sample: Turn that ballot over. Start from the back and and work to the front. That's the best way to complete the ballot. And we need Republicans elected. We need Republicans elected at all levels. Natosha, thank you for taking the time out of your very busy schedule. All the best. We're going to be talking to you again. Uh, within the we're at 69 days, I think something like that by the time this thing gets published. So all the best to you. Thanks again.

Natosha Tew: Thank you so much. Thank you.