



## PRESS STATEMENT

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### **DPI Assistant Superintendent – Only ‘Social Justice Equity Warriors’ Need Apply Nass: DPI teacher licensure position inappropriately politicized by top Evers’ Assistant.**

Senator Steve Nass (R-Whitewater) was outraged today by the most recent example of the radical politicization of the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI). The DPI is currently seeking applicants for a career executive for the Assistant Director for Teacher Education/Professional Development/Licensing position.

The position is supervised by Sheila Briggs an Assistant State Superintendent and key advisor to State Superintendent Tony Evers. *On April 19<sup>th</sup>, Ms. Briggs issued a Tweet announcing the position on her team and requested that “Social Justice Equity Warriors” please apply.*

**“This is just another example of how radical the Department of Public Instruction has become under Superintendent Tony Evers. Sheila Briggs, an Assistant State Superintendent, makes it abundantly clear that the person she wants for this job must be a ‘Social Justice Equity Warrior’. Sheila Briggs wants this key employee to promote liberal indoctrination instead of sound educational practices,”** Nass said.

Senator Nass stated he will be taking the following actions:

- 1.) Calling on State Superintendent Tony Evers to prohibit Ms. Briggs from having any further involvement in the hiring process for this position and seeking the State Superintendent to clearly denounce any efforts on the part of DPI employees to inappropriately politicize employment practices of this state agency.
- 2.) Requesting the human resources professionals in the Department of Administration review this situation at the DPI to determine that the agency is properly following the hiring practices of the State of Wisconsin.

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Following



I have a position open on my leadership team. It is the assistant director for the TEPDL team. Focus is on licensing and customer service. See the posting here: [wisc.jobs/public/job\\_vie](http://wisc.jobs/public/job_vie) ... Social Justice Equity Warriors please apply. #wiedu

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