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The Election



Yesterday, someone in math class said, "Ben, give me one good reason to vote for you for student-council president."

I replied, "Because I am the best-qualified candidate. I have been a member on the council for three years. During that time, my goal has always been to make this school a better place. That is why I voted yes on the requests for money to have an international food fair, to buy new uniforms for our football teams, and to help finance a tutoring program. In fact, I am a math tutor in that program. Now, in case you think I only vote yes on requests I like, let me remind you that last year I voted no to a request for funds to build a skateboarding course on school grounds, even though I am an avid skateboarder. I did so because after listening to your opinions, I learned that the majority of you think skateboarding would make the school a more dangerous place.

In closing, I have learned a lot from being on the student council and am eager to put that knowledge to use for you. But I can't do it without your support. Please give me your vote.