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### Jay Xiong\* (DFL)

### Fred Turk (Republican)

What policies will advocate for to address the rise in microaggressions and hate crimes against our Asian community?

Asian American Organizing Project (AAOP) did not receive a response from the Jay Xiong campaign.

If you work with the Jay Xiong campaign and would like to provide answers, please email [info@aaopmn.org](mailto:info@aaopmn.org).

I will fund police to enforce the law, unlike progressives who intend to defund the police. It is being shown that defunding police significantly increases crime rates.

Many of our youth and young people have been left out of national conversations and financial help, even while continuing to work in essential jobs and balancing that work with their schooling and families. What are your plans to ensure that our youth and young people's voices are also incorporated within legislative decisions?

How will you address concerns raised by our youth and young people in regards to Governor Walz's fall semester school plans?

I will work to end Governor Walz's dictatorial powers and thereby give control to local school boards.

How will you ensure that our youth and young people also receive financial support during this time?

I will work to keep taxes and unemployment low.

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There are many small business owners, many of which are Asian-owned and have seen a decrease in business since COVID-19 due to xenophobia. What are your plans to ensure that our small businesses owners, especially our Asian-owned ones, continue to be safe during a pandemic while ensuring the longevity of their business?

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George Floyd's murder has pushed the world into more deep conversations around race and policing. One of the components of anti-racist work is in education, and in specifically ethnic studies. Ethnic studies provides students the opportunity to learn and reflect on their racial identity through a historical lens. Do you support mandated ethnic studies as a high school graduation requirement?

No. I leave curriculum to local schoolboards.

COVID-19 has shifted many polling places for this past Primary Election. Many organizations and individuals are advocating for absentee voting by mail as well. Absentee voting by mail can be confusing to many and even more so when you can't read or write English well. Many of our Asian community members may not have assistance or language skills to complete an absentee ballot by mail. How do you hope to shift access to the polls for all?

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If elected I won't take office until after the election so for this election there is nothing I can do to shift access to the polls for all.