

## PASSING THE TEST

Although I usually agree politically with David Thompson, I disagree with his complaint [Letters, Feb. 2: "Sophomoric Quiz"] concerning your most recent on-the-spot questionnaire for School Board candidates. The recent questionnaire was not unlike your previous questionnaires in which we learn about the candidates via their answers to mostly non-essential trivia questions. In this way, how they answer becomes as informative as whether they answer the questions correctly. In this regard I would argue that the recent questionnaire was as good, if not better, than previous questionnaires.

However, the high point for me was to be eating breakfast with out-of-town guests and to have them see that each candidate was able to point out the direct object in the sentence! Phew! Granted, the grammar question could have been much more complex, but one ought to say, "Thank you," not "Shame!" to our local print media for providing us with a humorous avenue for learning about the people for whom we might vote. At the very least your silly little questionnaires catch the eyes of many potential voters who are often unaware that local elections are even occurring.

Keep up your cleverness!

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