Thank you for reaching out and for sharing your heartfelt concerns about the struggles that Education Assistants (EAs) face across Alberta. Your passion and dedication to the students you support every day are truly admirable, and I want you to know that we hear you and support you.

The weekend before last, my Alberta NDP colleagues and I attended the rally at the Legislature building alongside Education Assistants, teachers, and families who are demanding better funding and fair wages. The message was clear, Education Assistants deserve respect, fair pay, and proper working conditions. The government cannot continue to ignore the growing frustration of school staff and the devastating impact underfunding has on students.

The reality that EAs are performing highly specialized tasks, often without proper training or adequate compensation, is unacceptable. No one should have to choose between feeding their families and doing the job they love, and no child should suffer because the UCP government refuses to invest properly in public education.

The Alberta NDP will continue to stand with you, fight for better education funding, and push for real solutions to ensure that Education Assistants and all school staff receive the respect and support they deserve. Your voices are getting louder, and we will keep amplifying them. Please write to UCP MLA's as well, feel free to cc me.

Please feel free to stay in touch and thank you again for your unwavering dedication to our children and our schools.

Sincerely, Jasvir Deol MLA, Edmonton-Meadows – Alberta NDP