

Apathy is Boring:
New Democratic Party (NDP)

Did you know that in the last election Paul Martin promised students that post-secondary education would be a big priority and that his government would make the necessary investments to ensure all students could access the post-secondary education they needed to succeed?

But when it came time to fulfill that promise, Paul Martin let students down and disappointed families across Canada.

When Paul Martin's Liberals tabled their budget, the only commitment to students was to forgive your student loan if you died.

He also promised to reduce pollution, but it's up. He promised to reduce poverty, but it's up. He promised to end giving favours to his friends, insiders and the well-connected, but that's up as well.

In the last election, I promised you that we would use our role in Parliament to get results for people. We took Paul Martin's budget and re-wrote it. We cancelled Mr. Martin's \$4.6 billion corporate tax cut and invested that money in people instead.

We invested the money to reduce tuition fees to increase access to college, university and training; in transit to help curb pollution and keep fares from rising; in affordable housing to reduce homelessness; and we increased our commitment to the world by putting Canada on the path to allocate 0.7% of GDP to foreign aid.

Our budget is balanced, pays down the federal debt, doesn't raise taxes and shows that minority Parliament can work for young people.

There still lots more that needs to get done to build a strong Canada. More NDP Members of Parliament will get more done.

Keep sending me your ideas on what you want results on. Check out www.ndp.ca, e-mail me at youth@ndp.ca or text message us TXTNDP (898637).

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