

***Full Name***

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***What interests you in serving on the School Board?***

I want to help ensure all demographics are considered and as a board we are fiscally responsible with our taxpayers' money. I want to continue to hold our district to a high standard of integrity and to adequately represent our constituents. I want to ensure we set up our students to be as successful as possible and help them build a strong foundation of lifelong learning.

***How will you collaborate with the school board and district leaders to build trust and improve relationships with teachers?***

I would like to develop open and consistent communication with our teachers. I would like to ensure all our teachers are represented from each of our schools. We can create surveys to get honest feedback. I want to ensure we have teachers involved in our curriculum decisions and budget allocations that impact their jobs. I really want to be transparent in my decisions. If I have to vote against what the teachers want, I will give a clear explanation of why I am voting a certain way.

***What do you see as the most pressing need in our District?***

One of the most pressing needs in our district is balancing the cost of living and tax burden on families while ensuring we continue to provide a high-quality education for our students. We need to ensure every dollar we spend directly benefits our students and explore innovative methods to maintain and enhance educational excellence while not placing undue strain on our taxpayers.

***Many families in our community feel pressure from high property taxes and rising home valuations. How would you balance the goal of providing a strong education with ensuring that no family is driven away due to financial burdens, and what changes would you consider to address these concerns?***

I'd like to consider looking at our bus routes to make sure they cover families in need. Many families have dual working parents and making sure they get their children to and from school on time can cut into their working hours. I'd

like to reevaluate before and after school programs for these families. I'd like to look at more preschool options for families in need so they can have a safe and affordable place for their children to attend. I want to look at opening more preschool locations and more spots for those who need it, whether it is for financial or behavioral needs.