



School Board Questions

[Hello and thank you video](#)

Video Response

1. What experiences and/or skills have prepared you to serve on the Governing Board?

[Amanda Steele video response - Question 1](#)

2. What differentiates you from other candidates and/or current Board members?

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3. What do you see as the primary work of the Board of Education?

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Written Response

1. What are the major issues you see facing Tempe Union schools? What would you do to address these?

Today more students are showing delays and/or falling further behind in their academics, social emotional well-being and overall development. I am a speech therapist with trauma and mental health training and I'll bring my prior experience to the board to improve the well-being of everybody. Meeting the needs of the district takes getting to know the different needs within the district, the different communities within each neighboring campus, and the diverse needs of learners in all classrooms. It is time to reimagine, reenergize, and improve on the way we connect to our students, our families, our educators and our community members and stakeholders. If elected, I will make sure all stakeholders know they can email me with any concern and, with the help of my fellow board members, I will work to address each concern with the attention and care it deserves.

2. Would you support a board decision you did not vote in favor of? Why or why not?

Although I may not agree with a vote, I will make sure to do what's best for all the stakeholders in this district. I will make sure to improve policies when possible for the greater good of all who are impacted.

3. What programming and policies do you hope to bring to the district?

If elected, I would like to bring programs that support the equitable needs of our diverse learners into the district. Promoting inclusive practices and opportunities for all students. Currently not all students, not all educators, and not all staff have what they need to reach or teach to their full potential. We need to start with conversations from those who are working directly with the students across every room a student encompasses. We need to establish what is working and what needs support for improvement. It will take a devoted hands-on leader to take on this challenge. I will address and continue finding ways to implement and improve upon current practices and new inclusive programs that meet the needs of Tempe Union's diverse student population.