

Brenham ISD Board Candidates Questionnaire – 2021

Brenham/Washington County, Texas

1. Why have you decided to run for election at this time?

For two main reasons:

(1) To make a difference, I can bring change where change is needed in order to improve our greatest and most important legacy...our children's future and to get back to teaching them the love and allegiance to this great country.

(2) To represent the Taxpayer that feel they no longer have a voice in our community...to be their eyes and ears when it comes to spending and making sure we are crystal clear on how our tax dollars are being spent.

2. What key competencies do you feel you possess to be a school board trustee? Briefly describe your background in areas such as financial analysis, leadership, effective communication, understanding of educational system issues, ability to contribute to strategic planning and initiatives, and consensus building.

- Dynamic problem-solving skills learned from starting and growing businesses over the course of my life.
- Ability to handle financial issues with a conservative and traditional view of eliminating waste and frivolous spending while gaining value for all money being spent.

3. What is your vision for education in this community?

To provide the tools that our teachers and children need to lead successful and socially beneficial lives in a modern age while adhering to common sense and strong moral foundations.

4. How do you feel Brenham ISD impacts the local economy? How can the Brenham ISD board make a positive impact on local economic growth?

- This is of utmost importance in my opinion. In order to compete in the future against larger city labor and quality of life issues, it is important that our children can find the kind of careers and employment right here locally that have traditionally pulled them away. Brenham provides a better family environment both physically and spiritually. Skills and education will entice more and better businesses into our area giving our local residence the essentials needed to live a good life.

5. Describe your view of the roles of the school board and the superintendent. What is the ideal relationship between these two?

- In my view it is just like the role played in our "checks and balances" system of government. The school board trustees represent the people for who the government is of, by, and for. The superintendent represents the executive office where the authority is invested to carry out that will.

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