

Donna Putnam

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

I served the previous 2 ½ years on the Burton ISD School Board. During that time, our school bond was passed and would like to see the process finished. Also, to continue to be the voice for the students, teachers, and our school district.

2. What key competencies do you feel you possess to be a school board trustee?

Good listener, anytime a decision is made; it is made for the best interest for our students and putting personal difference aside when I make decisions.

Briefly describe your background in areas such as financial analysis, leadership, effective communication, understanding educational system issues, ability to contribute to strategic planning and consensus building.

As an educator for 37 years; I served in many different capacities: classroom teacher, coach, athletic director, junior high girls athletic coordinator, Social Studies department head, Social Studies Curriculum Specialists. I have worked on budgets, involved in school bond meetings, long term planning.

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

Continue to hire great teachers. Also, offer more CTE classes to our high school students so that they can enter the workforce prepared. Also, I would like to have honor classes for our elementary school.

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

Our district supports many local businesses and helps those businesses financially. Continue to support local businesses!

5. Describe your view of the roles of the of the school board and the superintendent.

Any decision we make is for the best interest of our students and staff.

What is the ideal relationship between these two?

Communication and honesty

Are there any other comments you would like to make?

With my previous experience in education, I feel I am qualified to serve on the Burton ISD School Board.

