



Plano ISD Board of Trustees Candidate Questionnaire

Place 2: Jack Liu

What are the top three reasons you want to serve as a Plano ISD School Board Trustee?

The most important reason for me to run for public office is that my youngest kid has gone to college. I have more free time than the previous years when my kids were young. Although I've been thinking about serving the community from many years ago, I do think I need to take care of my family first. When my kids need me the most, I want to be there with them.

I choose to run for PISD board of trustee position is because I think the school district is very important. I have two kids both went through K-12 in Plano school system. Both my wife and I were active PTA volunteer for years. I know PISD very well and feel attached to it.

The other reason is that first generation immigrant families take a big percentage in PISD area. The majority of them came from Asia. As an immigrant who has lived thin the US for thirty years, I feel obligated to help the new immigrants and the mainstream society to understand each other. I want to be the bridge between the to side. I'll do my best to diminish the gap.

What do you feel are the most important responsibilities of a trustee?

The most important responsibility of a trustee is to represent the constituents. If the trustee's personal opinion is in contradiction with the majority of the residents. He need to communicate with the residents and explain his reasoning. If he found his own opinion is in odds with the majority, he should respect the majority and cast the vote on their behalf.

What do you see as the top opportunities and challenges in Plano ISD?

The number one opportunity for PISD is to collaborate with the big companies in Legacy Industrial Park. On the one hand, the companies can sponsor some programs in PISD schools. On the other hands, the students can tour or even have internship in those companies.

The challenge is to raise the teaching quality with tight budget. I think PISD should improve the quality of its teaching staff. In order to do so, the teachers need competitive payments.

Why are you qualified to hold the position of trustee?

I have been a Boy Scout leader for 13 years. Currently I'm the committee member of Northern Light district, Assistant Scout Master for Troop 219 and Unit Commissioner for Troop 1999 and Pack 1259. Prior to joining BSA, I had been the youth basketball couch in PSA for three years. I have lot of experience working with kids and I love working with them.

What is the most important thing you want to accomplish if elected?

The most important thing I want to accomplish is the mend the gap between the new immigrants and mainstream society. I think there a lack of understanding between the two sides. As in immigrant who





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has lived in this country over thirties, I think I understand both side better than any other candidates, if not better than anybody else in PISD area.