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<p>What is your vision of an equity-based approach to education in RRISD, and what barriers to equity exist now? How will you work to improve equity initiatives in the district?</p>		
<p>How will you work to improve equity initiatives in terms of testing, student achievement and learning in the district for all students?</p>		
<p>As a trustee how will you support our Title 1 schools? These schools often have lower parent involvement and higher needs. How might you suggest that we make learning more equitable across the district?</p>		
<p>Given that children of color and SPED populations are disproportionately targeted for discipline and police intervention in schools, what will you do to ensure that the newly formed RRISD Police will be held accountable for disproportionate targeting of certain groups? What sort of auditing and remediation would you support?</p>		
<p>Based on the results of the Equity Task Force, data showed that children of color and SPED populations were disproportionately represented in discipline and policy interventions. Please share with us your thoughts on how to reduce this disparity.</p>		
<p>With recent funding of the Equity Task Force, what do you believe the priorities should be in terms of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusiveness? What programs would you support?</p>		
<p>Please share with us your thoughts on gender equity and LGBTQ+ issues in terms of equity at RRISD?</p>		
<p>Many of our RRISD families are currently in transition or housing/food insecure. Share with us your thoughts on how to make access to essential services more equitable for all?</p>		
<p>What steps do you propose to bring all the schools in our district back to TEA "A-rating" and what are your suggestions for improving our lower-performing schools?</p>		
<p>Based on your observations of our current Board, what are some of the biggest challenges they face (besides COVID), and what would be your priorities to overcome these obstacles?</p>		
<p>One of the important aspects of the Board is to decide boundary changes in our growing district. In February 2020, the board voted to make changes. How would you want to improve the process, if at all?</p>		

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<p>The Board's goals and Superintendent's evaluation as currently written are significantly based on STAAR test results and the district's A-F state accountability grade. What additional types of goals/expectations do you believe should be evaluated?</p>		
<p>What do you believe your role would be in Governance and Oversight of the district if you were elected as a school board member?</p>		
<p>What are your top three priorities if elected as a school board member?</p>		
<p>With the current overcrowding at a number of our High Schools, could you please share your thoughts and comments on the priority of new High Schools to be built in both the east, off Grimes/Old Settlers area, and the west, in the area of Pearson Ranch?</p>		
<p>As the RRISD continues to grow, what are your thoughts on charter schools and the impact these schools will have on the district?</p>		
<p>What is your opinion on maintaining and expanding existing High Schools vs spending additional funding to build new schools?</p>		
<p>With many new schooling opportunities in the District (including charter, private schools, and online), what are your plans or strategies as a board member to support retaining students in RRISD public schools?</p>		
<p>One of the most important jobs of a Trustee is using community input to inform district policy. In what ways, if any, should the Board's structure and/or community input processes evolve to ensure that the Board is capturing input from diverse groups of stakeholders across the entire district?</p>		
<p>Serving over 50,000 students, Round Rock ISD is the 20th largest school district in Texas. As a Trustee, how would you ensure that the district is meeting its obligations and responsibilities in the area of environmental sustainability?</p>		
<p>What 3 areas does the District excel in, and what are your top 3 priorities for improvements during your term?</p>		
<p>The Board of Trustees is responsible for hiring and evaluating the Superintendent for our district. Share with us 2 qualities that you believe a Superintendent must possess and why you feel they are important for this position.</p>		

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<p><b>Transparency of the Board: What should transparency look like as a Round Rock ISD Board of Trustee? For example, in the areas of finance, student academics, or operations.</b></p>		
<p><b>Transparency in Education: How would you describe transparency in one of the following areas: Finance, Student Academics, or Operations?</b></p>		
<p><b>In 2019, the Board of Trustees approved the creation of the RRISD Police Department. What do you plan to do to support the District leadership in terms of appropriate tools, training, and guidelines for a successful introduction to our campuses?</b></p>		
<p><b>In the past year, the District has both created the Counseling and Behavioral Health Services Department and approved the formation of an ISD Police Department. What are two ways you foresee these entities working together in order to improve school safety?</b></p>		
<p><b>What would be your ideal plan for the next 3, 6, 9 months as we navigate education during the pandemic?</b></p>		
<p><b>What are your thoughts on Standardized Tests and campus evaluations (including, but not limited to STAAR, EOC, PSAT, SAT, and ACT) being implemented this year?</b></p>		
<p><b>Share with us your thoughts about virtual-learning, including whether or not it should continue once the COVID crisis is resolved?</b></p>		
<p><b>For some students, virtual learning is working well. Other students learn best in the classroom. How should the district balance virtual and in-person learning going forward?</b></p>		
<p><b>Share how you have been engaged within our community. How will that experience assist you as a School Board Member?</b></p>		
<p><b>When considering the responsibilities of a Trustee, please tell us what your strengths and areas of growth are.</b></p>		
<p><b>The pandemic may be causing several possible budget problems including decreased enrollment as families choose other schools, decreased tax revenue, and unexpected district expenses. How would you prioritize next year's budget if cuts are needed?</b></p>		
<p><b>RRISD is projected to lose up to \$17 million in state school funding this year due to the drop in district enrollment. What are the measures you suggest to offset this loss?</b></p>		

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<b>What is your plan of action to support our most vulnerable students who may drop out before graduating?</b>		
<b>What are your thoughts on using TEA's A-F Accountability rating to evaluate campus and student achievement?</b>		
<b>What are your ideas for tools and guidelines to support children of all ages, now and going forward, who are currently struggling with mental health in our learning environment due to the pandemic?</b>		
<b>With the RRISD's diverse community of students and families, how will you ensure the academic, social, and emotional needs of all students are represented and considered?</b>		
<b>What are your thoughts on getting input from Teachers and Students when making impactful decisions about the district?</b>		
<b>How do you envision the district balance the needs of student and teacher's mental well-being, while pushing for higher academic achievement?</b>		