
Citizens for
DELAWARE SCHOOLS

DEADLINE TO BE INCLUDED: March 28, 2023

Your Name: Christine Gilbert

Link to your candidate website (if you have one):

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Attach photo in png or jpg format if you want included.

Answers to questions about different issues - 2-3 sentences

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| <p>Your Personal Statement: Why are you running?</p> | <p>My goal as a candidate is to develop today's learners into tomorrow's Leaders through a challenging curriculum in an environment conducive to learning.</p> |
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| <p>If elected, what will be your priorities?</p> | <p>My priorities if elected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensure a safe environment where ALL students feel excited to accept academic challenges and are ready to take risks in their educational development. - Provide the latest tools, materials, technologies, supplies, and supports necessary for teachers, coaches, staff, and students to effectively do their jobs. - Develop a comprehensive and multi-faceted curriculum and supportive programs with additional arts/sports/trade/volunteer experiences to facilitate individual growth, innovation, confidence, and independence as learners and as highly functional citizens. - Guarantee parents/guardians/families an avenue to provide feedback, express concerns, witness accountability and transparency, while partnering with teachers & staff in their child’s educational journey. |
| <p>What steps can be taken to improve student achievement in your district, especially reading and math? How can the board stay focused on this given all the other issues that arise?</p> | <p>To improve Student achievement in my district:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Identify learning discrepancies earlier and provide more intensive remediation via small group tutoring, home support, summer work to maintain learning during breaks. - Develop a multi-faceted curriculum that teaches learning objectives across all disciplines (math, ELA, science, history, technology) and provides numerous opportunities to practice and master skills. - Open the lines of communication between parents/guardians and teachers so that a team approach is utilized in focusing on each child’s mastery of concepts, setting & reaching each student’s goals, and solving problems that may arise. - The Board’s main focus should be to ensure that each student is taught as the unique individual that they are and not as a one-size-fits-all learner. Parents, teachers, and taxpayers must be engaged in holding the Board accountable for results. |

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| <p>What can your school district do to better prepare students to be good citizens?</p> | <p>The school district can help students be better prepared citizens by providing individualized instruction, a challenging curriculum, creative outlets for self-expression, team building events and opportunities to foster cooperation, develop an early preparation path and comprehensive plan for college readiness/trade schools/military enlistment or entrepreneurship, and involving older students in mentoring younger students and/or participating in community service and volunteer internships.</p> |
| <p>How can public schools seek to strengthen the parent-child relationship regarding their child's education?</p> | <p>Public schools can strengthen the parent-child relationship regarding their child's education by facilitating an open door policy to parent involvement and mentorship in the classroom, ensure that the lines of communication broaden and remain open between families and teachers/staff/administration, and hosting more school events to showcase student achievement: concerts, guest speakers, sports forums, arts night, literacy showcases, science fairs, musicals, awards recognition, career fairs, college readiness mentorships, teacher appreciation events, and capstone presentations.</p> |
| <p>What changes should be made on the state and local level regarding the funding of public education?</p> | <p>Every current penny must be accounted for. Every dollar must produce a sound return on the taxpayer's investment. The Board should allocate funds to programs that best help students achieve learning objectives. Reward programs that are succeeding in the students' favor. Transparency in the development of the school budget and a common sense spending plan will be a priority.</p> |

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