

from lynn

First and foremost, **I believe in public schools!**

For the past **39 years** it has been my honor to serve on the seven-member **elected McKinney ISD board** for the **betterment** of our district.

The primary obligation of a school board and its members is to hire the superintendent.

The superintendent is provided goals by the board and allowed to develop the plans and procedures used to reach those goals.

It is the job of the board to communicate clearly to the superintendent what the goals are and what is expected. **It is never the job of individual board members to micromanage the daily workings of the district.** It is critical that I remember that fact in my role as a Trustee.

In its ongoing guidance and evaluation of the superintendent, the MISD board considers progress that has been made in reaching goals it has set. It can then discuss any adjustments that may be needed during the course of the year, either in how the district is addressing those goals or in the goals themselves.

During my tenure...

I have served with **35 other board members** and have been involved in the **hiring of 5 superintendents, soon to be 6.** Our **district has grown from 6 to 32 campuses** (with the opening of our new elementary campus in the fall). Our enrollment has grown from **4,500 to nearly 25,000 students.**

Our focus has continued to be **“What is best for all students.”**

Top priorities: Student safety, curriculum offerings, the AP courses available, visual and performing arts programs, opportunities for extracurricular involvement, and vocational programs.

Our district has established high expectations for **each program, each teacher, and each student** in our classrooms each day. Challenging each student academically and meeting the individual needs of each child are ongoing goals. **Hiring the best teaching staff and teacher retention** are of utmost importance.

It is my opinion that **McKinney ISD is a high-performing district.** That is proven by the number of **honors and recognitions received by our students** at regional, state and national levels. National Merit Scholars, UIL winners, FFA project winners – the lists go on and on.

Our **teachers and staff members** have received significant **honors** as **state and national** awardees for their work in the classroom and as counselors, principals, and nurses. Athletic and music programs have also brought home impressive awards. All this proves that **McKinney ISD is doing things right!**

Our students have been provided **first-class facilities** and all the **technology support** we can offer. Our **buildings** have been **scheduled regularly for update and maintenance.** This has allowed us to predict the replacement of expensive items such as HVAC equipment, thereby keeping expenses predictable and manageable for all 32 campuses in the district. **This is good planning.**



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We have been **fiscally conservative** in planning for our **bonded indebtedness**, and we have built a **good fund balance** for use should unexpected expenses occur. Examples: state finance changes or unforeseen disasters such as weather damage to our facilities. We have worked alongside our superintendent and administrative staff to make the best decisions for the district. **This has shown good fiscal management.**

As McKinney ISD board members we have participated in making policy, helped in building the budgets, planned for growth, set school tax rates and hired architects. The past four years we have **lowered our tax rates.**

In our effort to be **transparent** we have **posted our financial records online.** Those **MISD records** always **get the highest scores** possible from the state and **clean reports from our auditors.**

My future goals...

McKinney ISD must continue to strive for improvement. **An outstanding school district is the best asset a community can have.**

Finding and working with a superior superintendent to lead the district to continued success **is a must.**

I will continue to do my best to be an **ethical, positive, informed, caring, concerned, hardworking and honest** board member of McKinney ISD.

I listen to all sides on all issues. My campaigns have never been focused on single issues.

I practice civility and decency.

I will work hard to **make decisions** that are in the **best interests of all students and staff** in our district.

I am honored to have been a part of all the positive things that have happened in McKinney ISD over the past 39 years, and **...with your support I look forward to contributing my efforts for another four years.**

Thanks!

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lynn".