



Questions for Candidates for School Board Trustee from the Conservative Coalition of Harris County

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Candidate Name	Position that Candidate is Running For
George Edwards, Jr.	Cy-Fair ISD Board of Trustees, Position 7

Candidates please give your answer to each of the following questions and include your rationale with each answer. Please be concise and clear.

- Why are you running for School Board Trustee? Is there a particular issue that motivates you to serve on the school board? If elected, what will be your priorities?

Answer: I am running to ensure every child in CFISD can read for comprehension by the end of third grade, that classrooms remain safe and orderly, and that taxpayer dollars are spent wisely. Too many students are falling behind in reading. My priority is academic excellence, safe schools, and strong fiscal accountability.
- What experience or skills have prepared you to serve as a board member? What differentiates you from the other candidates and/or board members? In what school district or community activities/organizations have you been involved?

Answer: I am a retired CPA with over 40 years of financial experience, including executive leadership roles in the private sector and service on nonprofit boards. I served as a CFISD trustee from 1995–1998, and I called for the vote to end year-round schools, which stabilized families and helped our district grow. I also fund scholarships in CFISD and at the University of Southern Mississippi. I am a U.S. Army veteran and my military service instilled discipline and accountability. These experiences uniquely qualify me to govern responsibly.
- What are your thoughts on the current and the proposed budget for your school district? Is the current funding allocation within district spending categories adequate between administration, facilities, teachers, etc.?

Answer: More funding should be directed for resources in the classroom. Funds should be prioritized for teachers, safety, and student learning. I support a forensic audit of CFISD finances to identify inefficiencies and redirect dollars to instruction, teacher pay, and student resources.

4. What are your areas of concern regarding student achievement in your district? Do you have specific suggestions for improvement? What is your long-term strategy or strategies for improving the quality of education and keeping pace with student growth within the district?

Answer: My top concern is literacy. Far too many students cannot read at grade level, which undermines success in every subject. I support a district-wide literacy plan, consistent discipline standards so teachers can teach, and expanded partnerships with parents. Long-term, CFISD must focus on foundational skills (reading, writing, and math skills) while ensuring facilities and staffing keep pace with growth.

5. Is teacher performance adequate within your district? What type of teacher evaluation system and administrator evaluation system do you support? Are the teacher's salaries adequate given the current state budget condition?

Answer: The vast majority of teachers are hardworking and dedicated. They need support through fair evaluations that include classroom observations and student growth, not just test scores. Administrators must also be held accountable for creating safe, orderly schools. Teacher pay should be competitive, especially in high-needs areas. Redirecting funds into the classroom will allow CFISD to offer salaries and stipends that reflect teachers' value.

6. What are your thoughts about the Texas Legislature (SB 10) authorizing the display of the ten commandments in the classroom?

Answer: I support giving school districts the option to display the Ten Commandments. The United States was founded on Judeo-Christian principles, and our founding fathers often turned to the Bible for guidance and the bible helped shape our legal system. As a traveler who has visited other countries, I have seen how other nations honor their faith in public life. In the same way, displaying the Ten Commandments can affirm the values that helped shape our nation.

7.

Please list in order the following priorities in relation to the role of a K-12 public school (omitting any that do not apply):

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| <u>2</u> Mathematics | <u>4</u> Grammar/Vocabulary/Spelling |
| <u>7</u> Information Technology | <u>8</u> Language Arts |
| <u>3</u> Sciences | <u>1</u> Reading & Comprehension |
| <u> </u> Language Arts | <u>10</u> Vocational Learning |
| <u>5</u> US & Texas History | <u> </u> Sex Education |
| <u>12</u> Art & Music | <u>9</u> Personal Finances |
| <u>11</u> Physical Fitness | <u> </u> Political Activism |
| <u>6</u> Social Studies/Geography | <u> </u> Critical Race Theory |
| <u>13</u> Foreign Language | <u> </u> Gender Identity |
| <u> </u> Social Emotional Learning | |

Answer:

8.

Is your superintendent's and other high-level administrator's compensation in line with job performance? Why or Why not?

Answer: Compensation should reflect performance. In CFISD, pay for top administrators has grown while student outcomes lag, particularly in reading. That is not acceptable. Compensation must be tied to measurable academic achievement, fiscal stewardship, and leadership that supports teachers.

9.

What is the proper role of TASA and TASB with respect to independent school boards?

Answer: My preference is to receive training and policy support through the Texas Public Policy Foundation, Leadership Institute, and the Regional Education Service Centers (ESCs).

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George Edwards, Jr. is a proud U.S. Army veteran and summa cum laude graduate of the University of Southern Mississippi, where he earned a Bachelor of Science in Accounting. A Certified Public Accountant, he retired from ExxonMobil Corporation in January 2020 after an exceptional 39-year career. He currently serves as a deacon at Second Baptist Church in Katy, Texas.

In 1995, George was elected to the Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District Board of Trustees, where he served as Vice President. During his tenure, he called for the decisive vote that ended year-round school in Cy-Fair ISD—ensuring a more stable and consistent academic calendar for students and families.

From 1999 to 2010, George served on the State Bar of Texas Board of Directors, where he was also a member of the Commission for Lawyer Discipline, Chair of the Law-Focused Education Committee, and a Trustee of the Texas Bar Foundation, later serving as Chair of its Investment Committee.

A proven leader beyond education, George chaired Leadership Houston Class XXI and was honored with the prestigious Patrice Johnson Distinguished Alumnus Award in 2003. While at ExxonMobil, he received the Corporate Leadership Award from the Minerals Management Service for upholding the highest standards in Federal and Indian oil and gas royalty reporting.

George is a former Chairman of the Board of Directors of Energy Capital Credit Union and continues to serve as Chair of its Asset Liability Committee. He is also a Trustee on the Board of the Neuhaus Education Center, a nonprofit dedicated to improving reading skills for children, and was elected to the Towne Lake Homeowners Association Board of Directors in June 2025.

George and his wife, DeBra, are the proud parents of three accomplished sons. The joys of their lives are their beloved granddaughters.

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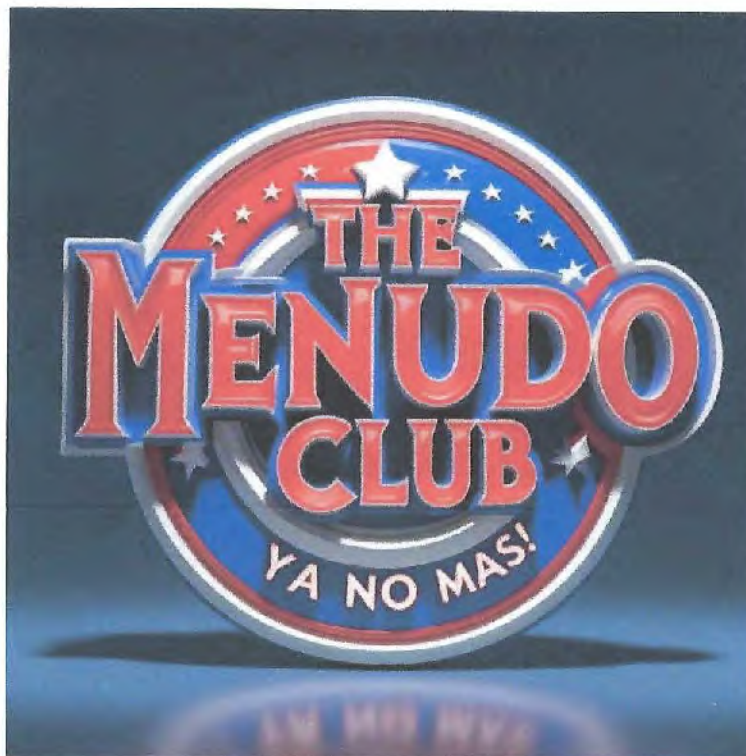
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