



## CONROE ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES - CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

### GENERAL QUESTIONS

1. Candidate Name: Stacey Chase
2. Highest Level of Education: Masters Business Administration
3. Current Job Title: Director of Internal Audit
4. Age: 44
5. Party Affiliation: No affiliation
6. Religion: Methodist
7. Marital Status: Married
8. Number Of Children: 2
9. Contact Email: stacey.chaseisd@gmail.com
10. Contact Phone:
11. Campaign Website URL: votestaceychase.com
12. Campaign Social Media URL/Handles: [FB & IG] @schoolboardstacey
13. Have You Been Finally Convicted of a Felony? No
14. Number Of Years Living in Montgomery County: 7 years

### POLITICAL QUESTIONS:

1. Clubs / Community Organizations You Are a Member Of:  
Girl Scouts, PTO, AICPA
2. Endorsements You Have Received:
3. Political Action Committees You Have Contributed To:

I support my employer's PAC, Siemens Corp PAC. This PAC is pro-business focused on supporting political candidates and causes that align with the interests and goals of

Siemens and its employees.

4. Candidates/Elected Officials You Have Supported for Office and/or Generally Align With:

As a candidate for a non-partisan position, my focus is on serving the entire community, not aligning with any specific party or candidate. I prioritize collaboration, listening to different perspectives, and making decisions based on what's best for everyone.

5. Have You Ever Voted in a Democrat Primary or for a Democrat Candidate? If yes, please explain your answer.

I have voted in both Democrat and Republican primaries. I am committed to evaluating each candidate based on policies and impact, rather than party lines. My focus remains on serving the best interests of Conroe ISD and our students, without aligning with any specific political party.

6. Have You Ever Donated Money to Democrat Candidates or Organizations? If yes, please explain your answer.

I have contributed to both Republican and Democrat candidates and organizations. My donations are focused on supporting those who prioritize the well-being of our students, schools, and community, rather than aligning with any particular political party.

## **OFFICE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS:**

1. Why are you seeking to serve on this Board?

Serving as a Conroe ISD Trustee has been an honor and deeply fulfilling. My family chose this district for its excellent schools, and I'm committed to maintaining that standard. I believe my experience can help us navigate upcoming challenges, improving student outcomes, safety, and fiscal responsibility while leveraging my skills in governance and financial oversight to benefit our community.

2. What qualifications do you bring to this Board?

As a CPA, MBA, and Internal Audit Director at a multinational firm, I bring extensive experience in governance, project management, financial oversight, and data security.

A current CISD trustee and Audit Committee Head, I can navigate complex financial discussions and tackle CISD's funding challenges from day one.

3. What leadership positions have you held, including elected office and appointments, that you believe would benefit the Board?

I serve as a Conroe ISD Trustee and Audit Committee Chair, where I've led efforts in financial oversight and governance. As an Internal Audit Director at a global firm, I've led teams to ensure compliance, financial integrity, and operational efficiency across complex environments. My role includes managing teams, overseeing large-scale global audits, guiding strategic decisions, and implementing risk management.

4. Do your children (or **did** your children if they are now adults) attend Conroe ISD? If not, can you explain what led you to decide to educate them in an alternative school setting?

My children attend Conroe ISD, and we chose this district because of its reputation for excellence. We are grateful for the high-quality education they've experienced here. My commitment to Conroe ISD is rooted in ensuring that this level of excellence continues for all students, now and in the future. I am dedicated to protecting the strengths of our district while also preparing it to meet the challenges ahead.

5. CISD has a budget deficit. If the State does not make adjustments in the 2025 Legislative Session to handle this, what is your plan to combat the budget shortfalls?

If the State does not address the funding shortages, my plan is to prioritize essential services, implement cost-saving and efficiency measures, seek alternative funding sources such as grants, and continue advocating for the Lege to fully fund public schools. While these decisions won't be easy, they are necessary to preserve CISD's excellence and protect jobs without increasing the taxpayer burden.

6. What is your stance on Governor Abbott's proposed school voucher program, also known as education freedom? Do you plan to campaign for, or against, the program at the Capitol, or do you wish to remain neutral?

As a proud product of public education, I am firmly against the proposed school voucher program. I believe that public funds should go to public education, where they can benefit all students and strengthen our communities. A strong public school district not only provides quality education for our children but also contributes to maintaining

strong home values and a thriving community.

7. The Texas legislature banned biological males from participating in female sports. Do you agree with this decision? Please explain your answer.

I believe in promoting fairness and safety in school athletics and support efforts like this toward that goal, though I believe the Texas legislature could focus on more impactful actions. As a trustee, my personal beliefs are always secondary to my duty to the community. I am committed to following the law, and as a trustee, I have consistently voted and acted to protect the best interests of our community and Conroe ISD.

8. Montgomery County has a library book policy in place that designates specific areas in the library for adult content, which includes topics on lifestyles that are alternative to the traditional family / heterosexual / two gender unit. Do you agree with this decision? Please explain your answer.

Libraries should be a resource for everyone in the community, with age-appropriate materials reflecting a variety of perspectives. It's important that we trust and support our librarians, who are professionally trained to tackle this challenge.

9. Any final thoughts you would like to share with the Montgomery County Republican Club's audience?

As a trustee, I've focused on what truly matters: improving student outcomes, ensuring school safety, and managing taxpayer money wisely. With my MBA, CPA, and experience as a Director of Internal Audit, I'm equipped to address the most pressing issues at Conroe ISD— funding shortages and the deficit budget, overseeing the \$2 billion bond, and prioritizing teacher retention and recruitment. A strong school district not only delivers quality education but also enhances our community's appeal and protects our property values. I'm committed to continuing this important work and ask for your support to keep Conroe ISD a pillar of excellence that strengthens our community.