



Oct. 6, 2015

Dear CFISD community,

The Nov. 3 general election will be upon us in less than a month. In addition to the many important races and measures on the ballot will be four positions for the [CFISD Board of Trustees Election](#):

Position 1

1. **Thomas Jackson**, incumbent (unopposed).

Position 2

1. **Christine Hartley**, incumbent (unopposed).

Position 3

1. **Natalie Blasingame**; and
2. **Darcy Mingoia**, incumbent.

Position 4

1. **Debbie Blackshear**; and
2. **Pam Redd**.

You will have an opportunity to learn more about each candidate at the Candidate Forum, scheduled for **Oct. 13 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Berry Center**. A [Candidate Profiles Guide](#) is also available on the website to give voters more background on each candidate, and questions can be submitted through [this online form](#). Access the [election block](#) on the homepage of our district website for additional information.



The two-week [early voting period](#) begins on **Oct. 19** and continues through **Oct. 30**, and I'd like to encourage you to make plans to vote in the election.

A scroll through your [sample ballot online](#) reveals a constitutional amendment to increase the statewide homestead exemption from \$15,000 to \$25,000 and several other propositions, in addition to the list of candidates running in the CFISD Trustee Election.

Please take a few minutes to browse the voter-specific ballot and polling locations on Harris County Clerk Stan Stanart's [website](#) by entering in your name and address. You can also access the [early voting sites and hours](#) on the site.

Voting is one of the great American freedoms that too many of us take for granted. I hope you will take the brief amount of time necessary to exercise that right, either during the early voting period or on Election Day.

Sincerely,

Mark Henry, Ed.D.
CFISD Superintendent