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... to make our voices heard in Austin.

Dear **Spring Branch Speaks** members:

Thanks to those of you that have already taken the Spring Branch Speaks 30 second Legislative Priorities survey. Your responses - particularly the many thoughtful comments - will be very helpful as we chart our course for the upcoming legislative session.

If you haven't had a chance to make your voice heard, please take the 30 second survey ASAP. The survey is open through next Friday, October 26. We will share the results with you the following week.

[Take the survey NOW!](#)

Learn about local State Board of Education candidates

Some members have expressed concern and interest about the upcoming State Board of Education (SBOE) election. ***On Thursday, October 25, you have a chance to hear from SBOE District 6 candidates Donna Bahorich, Traci Jensen, and G. C. Mollison.*** We have a unique opportunity this year: for the first time in a decade no incumbent is running in SBOE District 6, which covers SBISD and many surrounding schools districts (see map below).

The SBOE is very influential. Its responsibilities include:

- determining what every student in Texas public schools must learn from kindergarten through high school graduation, including approval of curriculum and textbooks;
- adopting rules and policies governing educational programs and services;
- approving charter schools; and,
- overseeing the investments of the Permanent School Fund, a \$26 billion trust for public education funding.

Please come out on October 25 to learn about the candidates seeking to represent you on the state level for SBOE District 6.

The Future of TX Public Education is in Your Hands - Please join us to learn why.

***State Board of Education District 6 Candidate Forum
Oct. 25th 7:00 p.m.***

**Paul Revere Middle School
10502 Briar Forest**

Forum Sponsored by The American Association of University Women - West Harris County

Submit Questions at www.ittybittyyurl.com/sboequestions

Forum information please contact: Marjorie Nash at Marjorieannash@gmail.com or Karen North at knorth@wt.net

SBOE information on the Texas Education Agency website: www.tea.state.tx.us/

SBOE 6 Map



Thanks for your time,
Spring Branch Speaks



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Parent-organized community outreach with SBISD in mind.

Spring Branch ISD educates a diverse community of 34,000 students on 46 campuses, including 57% economically disadvantaged students and 33% limited-English-proficient (ESL) students.

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