

Williston Public School District #1 Candidate, Mary Stenberg

Mary Stenberg was born and raised in Williston, attended 12 years in District 1 schools, currently has 3 daughters in District 1 schools, and has decided that at this critical time for our district, she would like help find solutions to the issues rather just sitting back and watching someone else do the work.

Q. Do you support a merger of District 1 and District 8? Why or why not?

A. I would support a merger if the districts could come to an agreement that would benefit all students who would be impacted.

Q. Do you support re-configuring the boundaries of District 1 and District 8? Why or why not?

A. Yes I do. I believe District 1 needs to work with the state legislature to get a change in the state statutes that as the city limits change due to annexation, so do school district boundaries change.

Q. Do you support another bond referendum to pay for future school projects?

A. I do not see that we have a choice. We must have more space for the students who keep coming to our district and we need to get rid of the portables that have been in place long past their "expiration" date. We have families looking to move to Williston and one of the first things they look at is the school system - would you want your child going to school where there are not enough classrooms, classes are overcrowded and/or meeting in an outdated portable classrom? I do not know what the answers are, but I look forward to helping find solutions to the need for more space in our schools.