

Keller ISD Board of Trustees 2010 Legislative Platform

Financial reform

We believe in equalized state funding that eliminates district-to-district discrepancies and assures the return of revenues generated through annual property value growth.

We believe that public education finance mechanisms must provide for meaningful local discretion and flexibility in the allocation of resources to support district goals and priorities; such as digital learning opportunities that will require innovative revenue generation.

Local Control

We believe that educating our youth is a state responsibility but a local function.

We believe that a more balanced and reinvigorated state-local partnership is needed to create the type of schools that can best provide the learning experiences to help students succeed in today's world.

We believe that locally elected School Board Trustees should be given the authority to make decisions such as tax levy authorization and flexibility and freedom in making school calendar decisions.

Unfunded mandates

We believe that government policymakers have over-mandated and over-regulated the local function, which has resulted in multiple layers of bureaucratic regulations that have become more burdensome and complex with each governmental action.

We believe that relief from these unfunded mandates is necessary to restore the opportunity to make important decisions and choices regarding the education of the children of our district.

We believe that major changes in state policies must occur to ensure public education opportunities and a stronger community. To bring about these changes, we will engage citizens of the local communities and elected officials in open and informed conversations focused on the issues contained in this platform.

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