

BRETT HAYES, CANDIDATE FOR DISTRICT 1

1. What do you believe is the role of a School Board member?

As an OKCPS board member, it is my job to collaborate and partner with the community, district leadership, and board members to develop transformational policies, programs, and best practices that enables OKCPS to flourish. In addition, it is the role of the board to approve budgets and lead the superintendent to success. Through collaboration, the board ensures every child has a high-quality education that provides a strong foundation for success into adulthood.

2. If elected to the Oklahoma City School Board, what will be your priorities?

There are several opportunities within OKCPS. One area of opportunity is to address the significant impact COVID-19 has had on our district staff, children and families. As an OKCPS board member, it is imperative for us to collaborate and develop plans to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19 and begin to heal our staff, children and families. In addition, we need to develop plans that appeal to families to draw students back into the school district. Lastly, as a board member, we have an opportunity to improve the student feeder pattern from elementary, to middle school, to high school. As a board member it is my job ensure every child has a high-quality education that lays a foundation for success.

3. What can do to improve academic performance and prepare students for work or higher education?

As an OKCPS board member, the board needs to work with district leadership to ensure each student graduates from high school with a strong foundation that sets each student up for success. District leadership and the OKCPS board need to develop plans that enhance college and career preparation opportunities that provide pathways to success for students after high school.

4. Should OKC Public Schools make Pre-K and Kindergarten available for all children that want to attend?

Yes

5. Do you support continuation of existing charter schools within the OKC Public Schools service area?

Yes

6. Do you support development of new charter schools within the OKC Public Schools?

Yes

7. Do you believe Oklahoma City Public schools should support creation and utilization of Tax Increment Financing to support economic development?

Yes