

Watchmen Voter Guide for Coeur d'Alene School District - Zone 5
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	Rebecca Smith	Glen Campbell
1. What is your name, what office are you running for and why are you running for this position?	Declined to Respond	My name is Glen Campbell and I am running for the position of School Board Trustee, Zone 5, in the Coeur d'Alene school district. I am a Christian conservative with 4 grandchildren currently living in the CDA district. Two of them are currently in school, one in a year from now, and the baby in three years. I am very concerned about what's being taught in our district that goes against the principles of our country and against our American values. I want to be a voice for the parents when it comes their children's education. We need to educate our children - not indoctrinate them!!
2. How could your school district be improved? Please provide your top 2-3 ideas.	Declined to Respond	<p>a. First, we need to get our schools back to basics in teaching. Let's get back to teaching reading, writing, how to think for themselves, math, art, music; not critical race theory, social emotional learning, and comprehensive sex education through the Portrait Of A Graduate" (POG) model. POG needs to be removed completely from the district and when elected, I will immediately move to have it removed from our district.</p> <p>b. Secondly, I believe in medical freedom and would end any mask mandates that would be or could be in place at the time of taking office! This choice to mask or not masking a child should be left to the parents.</p> <p>c. Finally, I will bring accountability back to the board thru open dialogue with parents and allowing them to be heard! Many parents have felt disenfranchised with the current board when bringing their concerns forward about their children! I would work hard to improve better lines of communication with parents thru emails, social media, etc. to let them know they are being heard! We are elected by the parents.</p>
3. What is your educational philosophy and how do you plan to implement this philosophy as a member of the board of trustees?	Declined to Respond	Education starts at home with the parents! The teaching of God, the Bible, family values, and morals should be left in the to the parents and our churches. Schools should be teaching our children how to more productive citizens and to train them to enter the real world or move on to higher education after graduation. I would recommend a return to teaching civics where children learn about the Constitution, how to balance a checkbook, how to apply for credit, etc. They DO NOT need to be taught how to become social justice warriors, which is what's being called for in the current Equity Framework.
4. Do you support "Critical Race Theory," why or why not?	Declined to Respond	I do not support CRT! It is a Marxist agenda that seeks to divide people by race! It uses race as a way to describe society as the "oppressed" and the "oppressor" teaching kids to hate themselves because of their "privilege" and their skin color instead of believing in the "fearfully, wonderfully made" individual God made them to be. It goes against the teaching of liberty, which is the freedom to think, speak, and act as one might choose without infringing on the rights of other which was what our country was founded on! This is absolutely wrong and has no place in our schools or society! It must be removed immediately!

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5. Would you support adding diversity, equity, and inclusion to the school curriculum? Why or why not?	Declined to Respond	These three words are the masking of the teaching of CRT. This is how it gets around the “CRT shall not be taught in our schools! Equity is not the same as equality! CRT teaches students to think, speak, and act not for themselves, but to become part of a global mindset to become social justice warriors. It teaches Individuality is replaced with a group-think and it has NO PLACE in the lives of our children!
6. What is your view on the growth of Charter Schools?	Declined to Respond	Charter Schools started in order to give parents another choice to place their child into if the current school was failing the to meet the child’s needs. They give parents options to place their children into because they are designed by parents, educators, and members of the community members. These schools operate freely from many of the rules and regulations that govern traditional public schools! I believe they are great options if the public school fails to meet the needs of the child or tries to force an agenda or curriculum on the student.
7. Do you support the ability for employee unions to automatically deduct money from their members’ paychecks to finance political activities, why or why not?	Declined to Respond	No, I do not believe in unions receiving monies from employees who are in total disagreement with the way the funds are being used! The National Education Association (NEA), the teacher’s union, spends 97% of the funds it receives backing liberal causes and liberal candidates. Employees should not be forced to feed an organization they do not agree with!! This is coercion and is wrong!!
8. Do you support or oppose bathroom and locker room usage based on preferred gender identification? Why or why not?	Declined to Respond	God made two genders – male and female! He made no mistakes! I am adamantly opposed to gender identification being pushed in our schools today. I would not support any rule or directive allowing boys to enter girl’s locker room or bathroom and vice-versa!
9. How should counselors work with parents to resolve issues with their children?	Declined to Respond	Counselors should attempt to have conversation with the student to see if an issue can be easily resolved before parent involvement is needed. If the need becomes larger, there should be an open line of communication between counselors and parents when a major problem arises! I realize when cases of child abuse are brought forth, authorities may be called in to handle the situation, but for everyday situations, there should be a process in place to involve the parents. Counselors should never try to persuade a student to “hide” anything from their parents. That goes beyond their duty.
10. What is your opinion on students being able to receive an abortion without parental notification?	Declined to Respond	I stand against abortion period! I DO NOT support students receiving an abortion without the parents being notified! Life begins at conception and there are alternatives to abortion!

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11. Do you support the 1619 project? Why or why not?	Declined to Respond	No, I do not support the 1619 project because it distorts history of America. It's another theory written in 2019 that aims to reframe this country's history. The findings have been disputed by historians. I believe it goes hand in hand with the CRT narrative, making race the center of everything, deepening the racial divide. I strongly believe in Dr. Martin Luther King's famous I Have A Dream speech about his four children will "not be judged by the color of their skin by the content of their character!"
12. In what circumstances should students be able to receive mental health assistance without parental notification?	Declined to Respond	If general counseling is needed for temporary behavior modification, I believe the student can receive counseling. If it goes deeper, the parents should be notified and brought in to discuss the issue, look at options available, and decide on a plan with the counselor. Under no circumstance should a counselor take it upon him or herself to recommend treatment without parental consent.
13. Who has the responsibility for the education of children?	Declined to Respond	It starts at home with the parents! Parents are to teach right from wrong and this includes teaching them Godly living! The Bible says "train up a child in the way they should go and then they are old, they won't depart from it!" It is their responsibility to teach family values, morals, ethics, integrity, manners, etc. It is also the parent's job to decide where they will place their children for school and to become involved in the education of their children.
14. What is the goal of education?	Declined to Respond	Educating children begins from the moment they are born. We teach them yes and no in order to protect them, we teach them to go to the bathroom on their own. They are being educated before they ever enter a school system. Education is a lifelong process children receive at home, at church, and at school. The goal is to train children to become productive, God-loving citizens who respect authority, love this country, and want care about others. Today, the schools are taking more and more of the lead on guiding our children and we're seeing the results of this in our society today. Parents need to take back their authority over their children!
15. Do you support or oppose the legalization of marijuana? Why or why not?	Declined to Respond	No, I do not support the legalization of marijuana. Even though some have claimed that there are medicinal purposes, marijuana use really serves no real purpose for most people.
16. What is your background and why do you feel it qualifies you for this position?	Declined to Respond	I worked in the post-secondary education field for almost 30 years – a community college and a small university. I watched college become indoctrinated with philosophies that went against the principles they came to college with. 18-year-olds came in like sponges and they soaked up everything being taught them by very liberal professors. I also worked many Boards of Trustee meeting, so I was able to see the inner workings of the board's duties. I also managed a department for 24 years, so I have managed budgets, dealt with personnel issues, crunched numbers, and planned projects to name a few. All the above experience has given me the wisdom I need to feel very comfortable in the role of School Board Trustee.