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Rebecca Osborne Surges Forward in Race for State Board of Education

ROUND ROCK—Republican educator Rebecca Osborne officially "kicks-off" her campaign for the State Board of Education District 10 today, on the day when most of the more than 4.7 million public school students in Texas return to their classrooms.

"With 26 years experience as a public school teacher and administrator, I have a real-world perspective on how the policies of the State Board of Education impact students and their schools," Osborne said. "There appears to be a fundamental disconnect between the State Board and the children it is supposed to be serving. Our students deserve better."

During her career, Osborne has taught more than 4,800 students, ranging from those in dropout recovery programs to high-achievers enrolled in Advanced Placement classes." An improved curriculum must meet the needs and talents of students for success in higher education as well as vocational and technological careers," she said.

As a State Board member, Osborne said she would focus on relevance and rigor in curriculum, effectively serving the entire spectrum of student needs and capabilities, local control and accountability, and achieving a common vision for public education in Texas. She is a fiscal conservative who believes the State Board must responsibly manage the Permanent School Fund with integrity and transparency.

Osborne is a graduate of Round Rock High School, Southwestern University in Georgetown, and The University of Texas at Austin, where she received specialized training in management and earned her Ph.D.

The Republican Party Primary election is March 2. Early voting begins February 16. Osborne is a member of several Republican Women's clubs, and has served as a delegate to the Texas Federation of Republican Women convention.

State Board of Education District 10 encompasses 16 counties including all of Austin, Bastrop, Burleson, Colorado, DeWitt, Fayette, Gonzales, Lavaca, Lee, Milam, Waller, Washington and Williamson Counties as well as parts of Brazoria, Fort Bend and Travis Counties.

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