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Introduce yourself	I'm a proud American, conservative Christian mama bear. I am protective, courageous, and competent. [00:15:09]		I am part of a family of educators with deep roots in Collier County, including my grandson who's been in CCPS for seven years. [00:14:18]
Why are you running for School Board? <i>[Some candidates offered this in their introductions although it was not specifically asked for.]</i>	I am called to fight, not against flesh and blood, but against the spirit forces of wickedness. [00:15:09]		I ran to apply my experience and love of education and effective board member and to continue the hard work to make our school district even stronger. [00:14:18]
Should biological males be allowed to compete in female sports?	No. That would be unfair to both of the sexes to have that happen. [00:16:18]	No. A male is a male, and a female is a female. [00:18:12]	No. There are very distinct differences between males and females. [00:19:52]
What is your stance on abortion, and how would it guide your school policies? [00:22:05]	I am very Catholic and very pro-life. Now I would always follow state statutes, because I am a law-abiding citizen. And as long as it's constitutional, I would have to abide by that. But I would always be looking in the direction of getting abortion abolished, praying over that and trying to work in that direction. [00:22:05]	I believe that if a girl gets pregnant in school, the school should immediately inform the parents. I don't think there should be any policy at all in the school regarding abortion, period. [00:27:10]	This is a very personal decision for a woman. I am not pro-abortion; I'm not anti-abortion. I think that there are some cases it may be required. As far as school policies, we don't have a policy to teach anything like abortion. [00:24:49]
How should American exceptionalism and Marxism be taught in schools?	Civics should be taught... Marxism should be taught to the same point of its	Marxism should be taught as far as the failures are concerned...	We ARE exceptional. We should promote that. Marxism and the other ideologies should be taught at a grade

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[00:29:01]	evils and also, the history of the Holocaust. [00:33:10]	[00:31:49]	level that's appropriate for them, probably in high school. [00:32:30]
How have you demonstrated that you're the best candidate to be a school board member? [00:37:18]	I set aside all of my own personal issues, and I stepped up to the plate when there was a time of great need so that I could serve my community. I have a track record of serving my community, and I care. [00:40:47]	Thirty-five years, I've attended school board meetings, speaking over 300 times about the problems within the schools that were being ignored. [00:45:01]	My track record. We have created a lot of different career paths for students. We've created college readiness tracts for students, and we've done a lot of great things... [00:38:31]
Are you willing to stand for what you believe is right even when the rules say otherwise? And how have you demonstrated that? [00:45:49]	Yes, I will always stand by the Constitution and just laws according to the God's Word. I've had to stand up numerous times for my daughter to get what was best for her in her education [not in Collier County]. And I will continue to do so for all students. [00:51:09]	I will always take a stand for what is constitutional, what is state law unless these things are against God's law. I will always stand for God's law first and my own conscience. [00:47:39]	I have proven that I'm willing to take a stand on things over the course of my 25 to 30 years in the district as a teacher, as an administrator, and now as a school board member. If I think that something is wrong with students, I will speak up, and I have no qualms about doing it. [00:52:23]

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<p>In the next few years, our school district will be looking for a new superintendent. What qualities are most important to you in the selection process? [00:54:08]</p>	<p>I want a superintendent that has the highest standards of practice, is focused on getting more parental involvement, that has an exemplary track record of producing students that are above grade level, not just hovering at grade level. [01:03:22]</p>	<p>I believe a good superintendent needs to be, first of all, honest. He needs to have integrity and have a good backbone. I would like to have a background check on the person before we make any decisions. [00:55:42]</p>	<p>I think a superintendent has to have integrity, honesty, transparency, and have an educational background. He's a networker, a community leader, and student oriented. [00:56:33]</p>
<p>What are your views on parental rights versus state responsibility? [01:04:29]</p>	<p>First of all, all rights come from God, our Creator. And they cannot be taken away from us. It is parents' right and responsibility to oversee the education of their children. [01:08:39]</p>	<p>We have eight unalienable rights, rights from God. None of these rights can be overcome by any part of the government at all, period. [01:06:47]</p>	<p>Parental rights are extremely important to me. The state is responsible for setting learning goals. [01:09:34]</p>

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<p>Are you in favor of a comprehensive, outside audit of the school system's budget? Why or why not? [01:13:24]</p>	<p>I am definitely in favor of having comprehensive outside audits. [01:20:47]</p>	<p>I am in favor of an outside comprehensive audit. [01:17:28]</p>	<p>We have many, many audits going on all year long from outside agencies with staff not there. And I don't think we've had any deficiencies or corrections that were issued. [01:15:32]</p>
<p>In your own words, what is critical race theory, and does it belong in the school system? [01:22:50]</p>	<p>The critical race theory is nothing more than divisiveness, and it is created to bring division between races and to focus on your skin color rather than the content of your character. This does not belong in our school system. What belongs in our school system is patriotism and American exceptionalism. [01:26:34]</p>	<p>The critical race theory is an ideology. The critical race theory and social-emotional learning are twin systems. CRT is the ideology. SEL is the vehicle being used. [01:29:26]</p>	<p>CRT is a philosophy and it tries to bring the differences in between people instead of the similarities. Does it belong in school? No. [01:24:14]</p>
<p>Give me an example of a time when you stood up for someone who didn't have the ability to defend themselves. [01:31:53]</p>	<p>I advocated for patients when I worked in the healthcare industry. I also had to fight to get my daughter the proper education and with her doctors to get her the right medical treatment. [01:40:48]</p>	<p>I've been doing that for over 35 years, standing up for the parents that cannot or would not attend the school board meetings. I've been their voice against all the schools that were trying put there that I knew was wrong. [01:33:15]</p>	<p>A child had been hurt in class. It wasn't overt. And I had to go to the school and make sure that that kind of situation didn't happen again. [01:37:38]</p>

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<p>Should school board meetings be moved to 6:00 p.m. for working parents to have the opportunity to attend? Why or why not?</p> <p>[01:41:58]</p>	<p>Yes, because we need as much parental and community involvement as possible, and we need to advocate to promote that.</p> <p>[01:47:49]</p>	<p>Yes. They should definitely be moved up so parents can get to School Board meetings. It needs to be where the parents are given the opportunity to gather. Also, the school teachers and students need that opportunity to gather.</p> <p>[01:42:14]</p>	<p>I'm not opposed to changing the time for the meetings.</p> <p>[01:44:36]</p>
<p>Question from the audience: If you're successful in becoming a schoolboard member, how would you ensure to comply to Florida statutes to prohibit sexually explicit and pornographic material not only in the library but in the media center, in the text books and in the teacher's packs?</p> <p>[01:48:04]</p>	<p>No, we should not have those materials in our media centers. They are explicit and that should be left up to the parent's discretion. The taxpayers should not be paying for those materials to be in the media centers. And if they are for a required class, I believe that those can be purchased elsewhere.</p> <p>[01:57:32]</p>	<p>School board members, superintendents, librarians, and administration should have the highest moral standards. They should be able to comprehend when something is wrong. All sexually-sensitive material should be eliminated from our schools.</p> <p>[01:56:55]</p>	<p>We do have some books that are very controversial, and now, we have a procedure in place where several committees will be gathering. They will consist of teachers, parents, and university experts, and these committees will make the decisions about whether a book stays in our media center or not.</p> <p>[01:55:59]</p>
<p>Question from the audience: Would you say yes or no to giving the majority of shareholders, which are us, the taxpayers, in this county, full control over what is decided to be taught in our schools?</p> <p>[01:58:19]</p>	<p>Yes.</p>	<p>Yes.</p>	<p>I'd like to compromise and keep my core beliefs and keep the money.</p>