

October 25, 2022

To whom it may concern,

I am deeply honored and humbled that I won the vote for SISD School Board in the recent election. Thank you to those who voted for me, for your hope and confidence in me as a candidate. It is with sadness that I must decline this position. I am an employee of Brightways Learning and that is a conflict of interest as they are partnered with SISD in grants and my income is directly impacted by SISDs involvement in these grants. Both positions are extremely important (in my view) and it was a hard decision to make. I am choosing to continue my work with Brightways learning which allows me to work with students, staff, and community members in events like PHlight Club and other related training and events. It was only a short time ago that I was made aware of the conflict of interest and it was too late to withdraw my name from the ballot. I will continue to advocate for our students and staff at school board meetings as an active parent and community member.

Sincerely,
Amanda Blankenship