Why are you interested in serving on the Serving on the Pell City Board of Education presents an opportunity to **Pell City Board of Education?**

make a meaningful impact on the education and future of our community's children. As someone who values the importance of quality education, I believe that strong schools are the foundation of a thriving community. I am committed to ensuring that our students receive the best possible opportunities to succeed academically and personally.

By serving on the Board, I would be in a position to support our educators, advocate for policies that enhance student achievement, and help ensure that resources are used efficiently to benefit our schools. I also understand the importance of transparency, collaboration, and accountability in decision-making, and I would work to foster strong communication between the school system, parents, and the broader community.

Education is not just about preparing students for academic success but also for life beyond the classroom. I would be honored to contribute to that mission by helping shape policies and initiatives that promote excellence, equity, and innovation in Pell City schools.

List your prior involvement in the Pell City School System or other public or private school systems.

I have no prior professional involvement with the Pell City School System, or other public or private school systems.

Potential conflicts (Check all that apply. Does not disqualify from service)-I have have children or relatives enrolled in the yes system.

Potential conflicts (Check all that apply. Does not disqualify from service)-I have yes relatives employed by the system.

Potential conflicts (Check all that apply. Does not disqualify from service)-I provide services or conduct business with the system.

yes

Disclose any other potential conflicts that may arise during your service.

As part of my duties as an Assistant District Attorney, I do prosecute iuvenile delinguencies. I am currently assigned to focus on such cases in the Ashville [Northern] Division of the County, but it certainly could be a possibility that I will have cases from the Pell City [Southern] Division as well.

What strengths, abilities, education, or experiences uniquely qualify you to serve? Include any significant contributions to Pell City and/or the community at large.

I believe my background, skills, and commitment to our community uniquely qualify me to serve on the Pell City Board of Education. As an Assistant District Attorney in St. Clair County, I have dedicated my career to upholding justice and ensuring the safety and well-being of our community. This role has given me invaluable experience in critical thinking, problem-solving, and decision-making—skills that are essential for navigating the complexities of education policy and governance.

Beyond my legal experience, I understand the importance of education in shaping the future of our youth. I have seen firsthand how access to quality education impacts individuals and families, influencing everything from career opportunities to community development. I am committed to advocating for policies that support both academic excellence and student well-being.

Additionally, I have a strong connection to Pell City and a vested interest in its success. Whether through my work in the legal field or my engagement with local families, I have always prioritized serving the needs of this community. My ability to analyze challenges, collaborate with diverse stakeholders, and work toward fair and effective solutions would allow me to be an asset to the Board.

I would welcome the opportunity to contribute my experience, leadership, and passion for education to ensure that Pell City schools continue to grow, innovate, and provide the highest quality education for all students.

Education prioritize over the next 3-5 Schools are doing well and should be supported, and things you would seek to Areas of Strength to Support

improve.

What goals should the Pell City Board of Over the next three to five years, the Pell City Board of Education should prioritize several key goals to ensure continued academic years? Include things you think Pell City excellence, student success, and community engagement.

Pell City Schools have a strong foundation in several areas, including:

Dedicated Educators and Staff: Our teachers and school staff work tirelessly to provide quality education and support to students. Continued investment in professional development, competitive salaries, and resources for educators should remain a priority.

Community Involvement: Pell City benefits from strong parental and community engagement. Expanding partnerships between schools, local businesses, and organizations can further enhance opportunities for students.

Extracurricular and Career Readiness Programs: From athletics to career tech and dual enrollment opportunities, Pell City Schools offer programs that prepare students for both college and the workforce. Strengthening these programs will give students even more pathways to success.

Key Areas for Improvement While there is much to celebrate, there are also areas that need focused attention:

Academic Growth and Achievement: Ensuring that Pell City Schools continue to improve student performance across all grade levels should be a top priority. This includes strengthening literacy and STEM education, closing achievement gaps, and expanding advanced learning opportunities.

School Safety and Student Well-Being: The safety and well-being of our students and staff must always be at the forefront. Implementing enhanced security measures, mental health resources, and antibullying initiatives can create a safer and more supportive learning environment.

Facility Improvements and Infrastructure: Many school buildings and facilities require upgrades to ensure they are safe, modern, and conducive to learning. A long-term plan for maintenance, technology integration, and classroom improvements should be developed.

Retention and Recruitment of Educators: Attracting and retaining highquality teachers is critical. Competitive pay, professional development opportunities, and strong administrative support can help Pell City Schools remain an attractive place for top educators.

Moving Forward

To achieve these goals, the Board must foster transparency, collaboration, and accountability. Engaging parents, teachers, students, and the community in decision-making will ensure that Pell City Schools continue to grow and improve. I am committed to working alongside all stakeholders to make our school system the best it can be.

APPLICANT RESUMES ARE WELCOME BUT NOT REQUIRED

The Pell City Board of Education Steering Committee will review resumes submitted with a candidate's application packet. Please attach resumes as PDF documents when submitting this application.

ATTACH RESUME

SIGNATURE

My signature below indicates I have read School Boards & Superintendents Roles & Responsibilities and I understand and am willing to assume the responsibilities of Board Member on the Pell City Board of Education. All personal and professional information provided herein is accurate to the best of my ability. I hereby authorize the City of Pell City to conduct investigation into my background and experience as deemed necessary for the purposes of evaluating my qualification for the position I am applying for, including contacting my employer and listed references.

Electronic signature

Date

03/31/2025