



District 3 Secretary Candidate Information

Name: Christina Nelson

Candidate Position: Secretary

Education

- University of Texas at Austin, School of Information (2009-2011)
- Master of Science in Information Studies (MSIS)
- University of Texas at San Antonio (2004-2005)
- Baccalaureate, Early Childhood Education
- St. Edward's University, Austin Texas (1999-2002)
- Bachelor of Arts, History (BA)

Work Experience

- Austin Public Library, Customer Access Division Manager (2022-present)
- Austin Independent School District, Cataloging Librarian (2020-2022)
- Austin Independent School District, Professional Resource Librarian (2018-2020)
- Austin Independent School District, Campus Librarian (2011-2018)
- United Services Automobile Association (USAA), Insurance Agent (2008-2009)
- San Antonio Independent School District, Classroom Teacher (2005-2008)
- San Antonio Independent School District, SEMS Clerk & Substitute (2003-2005)

Other Professional Association Memberships

- American Library Association Member, 2024 -- poster session presentation in San Diego, CA
- Reforma Member, 2024
- Tomas Rivera Book Award Local Committee, 2019 - Present

Honors, Awards, Prizes, Medals

- N/A

TLA Activities

- TALL Texans Mentor, 2024 Cohort
- TLA Talks Presenter: Removing Austin's City Limits: How We Expanded Access to Underrepresented Communities & Areas, February 2024
- Tejas Star Reading Committee Chair (2023)

- Tejas Star Reading Committee Vice Chair (2022)
- Tejas Star Reading Committee Member (2021)

Statement of Concern:

District 3 is comprised of 30 counties, however representation and participation is hyper focused to Travis County. It is imperative and crucial to expand District 3 representation and participation for all of Central Texas. Regardless of our library's location, we are continuing to receive book challenges and repercussions of HB 900. Now is the time that libraries unite to uphold the sanctity and safety of our spaces. Whether academic, public, school or special, all libraries are valued and necessary for our communities to thrive.