ORDER AND NOTICE OF TRUSTEE ELECTION County Clerk. THORNDALE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTIES OF MILAM & WILLIAMSON

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1. Pursuant to Texas Education and Election Codes, and in accordance with the laws and Constitution of the State of Texas, the Board of Trustees of the Thorndale Independent School District ("District") in Milam and Williamson Counties, Texas, hereby calls and orders a general election to be held on the 4th day of May 2024, for the purpose of electing two (2) trustees to the Board for (3) three-year terms, and one (1) trustee for final year of a 3-year term, respectively.

Pursuant to Section 11.0581 of the Texas Education Code, as amended, and Chapters 31 and 271 of the Texas Election Code, this election shall be conducted by Thorndale Independent School District. The Thorndale ISD Central Administration Office, 300 N. Main Street, Thorndale, Texas 76577 is hereby designated as the main early voting place, and Amber Robinson, is hereby appointed early voting clerk for the election. Requests for ballots by mail should be directed in writing to:

Amber Robinson, Early Voting Clerk Thorndale ISD Administration Office 300 N. Main St. Thorndale, Texas 76577-0870

Email: amber.robinson@thorndale.txed.net

Telephone: 512-898-2538

More information regarding the election can be found at:

https://www.thorndale.txed.net/

- Requests for ballots by mail must be received no later than April 23, 2024, before the close of regular business or 12 noon, whichever is later. Early voting by personal appearance will be held on Monday, April 22, 2024, through Tuesday, April 30, 2024, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on each day that is not a Saturday or Sunday.
- 4. Amber Robinson has been appointed Chief Election Official. She is hereby authorized, in conjunction with the Superintendent, Zack Kleypas, to make all arrangements necessary for the holding of said election and to serve as the District's representative to conduct the election in accordance with the laws of this State.
- All requests by candidates to have their names placed on the ballot for the general election shall be in writing and signed by the candidate and filed with Amber Robinson, Early Voting Clerk, at Thorndale ISD, Central Office, Administration Building, 300 N. Main Street, Thorndale, Texas 76577, along with any other information required by law. Applications for the general election may be filed on or after January 17, 2024, through February 16, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. The regular office hours for Amber Robinson beginning January 17, 2024, will be 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. Ms. Robinson's office shall be open from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. on the last day to file, February 16, 2024.

- 6. The order in which the names of the candidates are to be printed on the ballot shall be determined by a drawing held in the lobby of the Administration Building as provided by Section 52.094 of the Texas Election Code, as amended. Amber Robinson shall post a notice of the date, hour, and place of the drawing on the bulletin board used for the notices of meetings of the Board of Trustees of the District. The notice shall remain posted continuously for seventy-two (72) hours immediately preceding the scheduled time of the drawing. Ms. Robinson shall also mail notice of the date, hour, and place of the drawing to each candidate, at the mail address stated on the candidate's application for a place on the ballot, not later than the fourth (4th) day before the day of the drawing. Each candidate involved in the drawing, or a representative designated by him or her, shall have a right to be present at the drawing and to draw for a position on the ballot.
- 7. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes for each respective position shall be deemed to be elected and be entitled to serve as trustee.
- 8. All election materials including the notice of election, ballots, instruction cards, affidavits, and other forms which the voter may be requested to sign, and all early voting materials, shall be printed in English and Spanish, or Spanish translations thereof shall be made available in the circumstances permitted, and in the manner required by law.
- 9. The results of the election shall be canvassed by the Board of Trustees no earlier than May 7, 2024, or later than May 15, 2024, at a meeting called by the Board of Trustees in accordance with the requirements of the Texas Open Meetings Act. However, the canvass may not be conducted until the ballot board has verified and counted all provisional ballots, if a provisional ballot has been cast in the election and counted all timely received mailed domestic ballots cast from addresses within the United States, and all timely received mailed ballots cast from addresses outside the United States. Notice of Canvass must be posted at least 72 hours continuously before the canvass is conducted.
- 10. A substantial copy of this order shall serve as proper notice of said election, with the exception that the notice shall also include the location of each early voting and election-day polling place established by Thorndale ISD. The notice, including a Spanish translation, shall be published at least one time not more than thirty (30) days or less than ten (10) days before the day of the election in a newspaper of general circulation in the District and posted not later than the 21st day before the election and remain posted continuously through election day on the bulletin board used for the notices of meetings of the Board of Trustees of the District. The District shall also deliver notice of this election to the Milam and Williamson County Clerks not later than the 60th day, March 5, 2024, before the election.
- 11. Said election shall be held in accordance with the Texas Election, as amended, and Education Codes, and only resident qualified voters of the Thorndale Independent School District shall be eligible to vote at said election.
- 12. The polling places for this election shall be open for voting from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Election Day. In accordance with Chapter 43 of the Texas Election Code, as amended, the Board of Trustees hereby designates as polling places for the election the regular county polling places in Milam and Williamson Counties election precincts that contain territory from the District

identified in the District's notice of election. The timings and locations for early voting and election-day are listed below.

$\underline{\textbf{EARLY VOTING}}$ - Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted as follows:

Early Voting Location

Thorndale ISD
Administration Building
Central Office
300 N. Main Street
Thorndale, Texas 76577-0870

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
4/22/2024 8 a.m.– 5 p.m.	4/23/2024 8 a.m.– 5 p.m.	4/24/2024 8 a.m.– 5 p.m.	4/25/2024 8 a.m.– 5p.m.	4/26/2024 8 a.m.– 5 p.m.
4/29/2023 8 a.m.– 5 p.m.	4/30/2023 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.			

ELECTION DAY - SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2024: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Election Day Polling Locations

The Thorndale Senior Citizen's Center 200 S Cornelius Thorndale, Texas 76577

PASSED AND APPROVED, this 12th day of February 2024.

David A. Hall

President, Board of Trustees

Thorndale Independent School District

Ann Glenn

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Secretary, Board of Trustees

Thorndale Independent School District