

East Bay Stonewall Democratic Club Endorsement Questionnaire

Thank you for your interest in obtaining an endorsement from the East Bay Stonewall Democratic Club.

Per the Club's bylaws, to be eligible for endorsement, a candidate must be a registered Democrat. All candidates must also complete this candidate questionnaire to be considered for an endorsement. Endorsements are decided by the general membership, and candidates must receive at least 60% of votes cast to be endorsed.

The deadline for questionnaires is posted on the East Bay Stonewall website (<http://eastbaystonewalldemocrats.org/Elections>). Any candidate submitting a questionnaire that is received after the deadline will not appear on the endorsement ballot. To ensure a fair process, no grace period will be granted.

Please return your completed questionnaire via Google forms by clicking submit at the bottom of this form. All form submissions are final. If you have questions, please contact Joe Greaves, EBSDC PAC chair via email at jsphgreaves@gmail.com.

Email *

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Name (First Last) *

Cheryl Cook-Kallio

Are you a registered Democrat *

Yes

No

Office you are seeking? (e.g. City Council, School Board, Supervisor, etc) *

Alameda County office of Ed. Board Member District 7

Jurisdiction *

TriValley Alameda County. Dublin, Pleasanton, Livermore Sunol and Unincorporated to the Sam Joaquin co. line

District *

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Are you an East Bay Stonewall Democratic Club member in good standing? If you are unsure, email eastbaystonewalldems@gmail.com. *

Yes

No

I self-identify as: (check all boxes that apply; note these identifiers will be used publicly during our endorsement process.) *

Gay

Lesbian

Transgender

Gender non-conforming

Bisexual

Queer

Straight

Other:

How have you participated in East Bay Stonewall Democratic Club activities, and/or supported the Club other ways? What other LGBTQ+ organizations are you affiliated with and in what capacity? What other Democratic clubs are you affiliated with? *

I am on the ACDCC, I have supported LGBTQ+ organizations through High schools in the area and through local initiatives in the TriValley. I support LGBTQ+ issues in my daily actions and words.

Using specific examples, please identify the causes you have advocated for and the ways you have helped advance LGBTQ+ rights or otherwise helped foster a community of inclusivity for LGBTQ+ individuals and families. *

I spent 40 years teaching in public schools. From the time we had the first openly gay member of the School board in the early 90s, to speaking up for colleagues to be open in their teaching positions to young people being able to be open at the school site, I have been a leader in recognizing full inclusion and acceptance. Proudly I have supported GSAs at many school sites and was particularly proud that my daughter started the GSA at her high school in 2002. I was the master teacher for a trans person 22-23 years ago. She was placed with me specifically because of the support I was willing to provide. She was subsequently hired by our school district and is currently a department chair.

Have you previously supported LGBTQ+ candidates for office? If yes, did that include financial support? *

Yes, and it included financial support. I mentored Shawn Kumagai when he decided to run for city council.

Which LGBTQ+ organizations and elected officials have formally endorsed you for this race? *

Dublin Councilmember Shawn Kumagai, Chabot-Las Positas Board Trustee Harris Mojaddidi, It is still early, I just filed on Thursday.

Please describe a policy/goal that is part of your formal platform that benefits the LGBTQ+ community? *

Complete inclusion and accessibility. I believe people should be free to be who they were born to be free from judgement. I think this particularly important on a school board.

What makes you uniquely qualified for the office and how are you different or unique from the other candidates in your race? *

My extensive experience with young people locally and on national level gives me insight to the issues schools face today. I have an extensive academic background in the Constitution and government, I have 40 years of experience in a classroom, I serve on various civic education boards and advisory committees, including the National Board for the Center for Civic Education, and I have been an elected official.

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