

BOARD OF TRUSTEES Candidate Application Form

Please complete and return by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, August 10, 2018, to the Superintendent's Office of the Davis Joint Unified School District, 526 B Street. Application forms received after the above time and date will render the applicant ineligible for consideration of the position of Board member. Per Education Code 35107, applicants must be at least 18 years of age, reside within the boundaries of the Davis Joint Unified School District and be a registered voter.

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Last Name	First Name	Initial	Date
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Address (Street, City, State, Zip)			
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Email Address		Phone Number	

Please answer the following questions using a maximum of 250 words per question. Submit a brief resume with your application.

1. In what school or community committee or activities have you been active? Describe your contributions. I have served as the PTA President of Fairfield Elem, Valley Oak Elem & Davis High. I have
2. also served on the PTA board at North Davis and Holmes Jr High. I have served on the SITE Council at Holmes and NDE. Why do you want to be a Board member? What about this district motivates you to apply for the position? I have seen the changes in DJUSD as my kids have attended and I feel I can contribute with a long term view of what
3. serves the kids in our community. My work on CA State PTA has given me the chance to see what else is happening in the state. There are three goals* expressed in our LCAP focused on Conditions of Learning, Pupil Outcomes, and Engagement. Please review the goals (on the reverse) and describe how would you support each of our LCAP goals and why are they important to our schools and students?
4. One issue that Davis faces is a structural deficit - what suggestions do you have to solve it and how would you go about gaining support for those ideas? I suggest that we inform the community about the deficit and have input sessions for ways to address this. This will build community trust and ownership of the problem.
5. What attributes do you feel are important for a Board member? Describe your own skills and interests in relation to these attributes. I think Board members need to be good listeners, collaborative, genuine and good .
6. and good stewards of the resources. I currently serve on the CA PTA board. In this role, I work with a variety of personalities What in your professional experiences or volunteer activities with schools have you used a team approach to solving problems? In all of my volunteer work, I work to solve problems as a team. I strongly believe that allowing the team to be a part of the solution makes for a better outcome. Whether it is a soccer team or a non profit board, this is my approach.
7. A violation of ethics occurs when a Board member does not clearly separate personal and district interests and govern on behalf of the district. How would you respond when confronted with this conflict yourself? I would recuse myself from any vote that would affect my personal interest.

Answer to 5. continued- and people from a wide range of backgrounds. I work to build consensus and to find outcomes that achieve the goals of the group.

*To make sure all students—especially low-income students, English learners and foster youth—will be served well by this new funding, each district must set goals and show growth in eight priority areas. The goals and actions to achieve them must be created with input from community, parents, students and staff. These goals and actions are called the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP).

- All Students will experience 21st Century teaching and learning. **(Conditions of Learning)**
- Davis Joint Unified School District educators will close the achievement gap. **(Pupil Outcomes)**
- Classrooms and school communities will be safe and inclusive environments. **(Engagement)**

More information regarding the LCAP can be found at www.djUSD.net and go to DJUSD/Instruction/LCAP.

I have served on a statewide LCAP taskforce for CAPTA. I strongly support the goals of this funding structure. I believe it is vital that all children, especially our most vulnerable learners have access to 21st Century teaching and learning. All students need access to proper technology, well trained teachers and up to date curriculum.

I feel that we have been discussing the Achievement Gap for a long time but not much changes. We have the data to know who needs additional support. Our LCFF funds should provide some resources to address the additional needs of struggling students.

Cont below

Provisional Appointment Timeline

August 2, 2018	Board Meeting – Approve Materials and Timeline
August 3, 2018	Application Materials Available
August 10, 2018	Application Deadline – Submit to the Superintendent’s Office, District Office, 526 B Street, 5:00 p.m.
August 13, 2018	Board materials, including candidate applications, posted for the August 16 meeting.
August 13, 2018	Applicant orientation presented by senior school district administrators in the District Office from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.
August 16, 2018	Board Meeting – <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Application Review• Applicant Presentation (3 minute)• Public Comment• Voting Process/Selection of Candidate• Appointment/Oath Administered

To make our classrooms inclusive and safe we need to make sure all children have a voice to be adequately served. The more we expose our kids to diversity and inclusive practices, the more it will become a natural part of their lives.

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Lea Darrah



PTA Involvement

Current service includes:

Director of Legislation, California State PTA board

Previous service includes:

- Legislative Advocate, Family Engagement, CA PTA
- Statewide LCFF Training Team CAPTA
- Communications VP, Third District PTA
- Legislation Chair, Third District PTA
- District President, Third District PTA
- 1st Vice President, Third District PTA
- Unit President: Davis Senior High School PTA, Fairfield Elementary PTA, Valley Oak Elementary PTA
- SITE Council, North Davis Elementary School
- Member, GATE Advisory Committee, Davis Joint Unified School District

Community Involvement

Current service includes:

- Registrar, Davis Legacy Soccer Club
- Manager Davis Legacy Girls 2004 Black team

Previous service includes:

- Tournament Coordinator, Davis Legacy Soccer Club
- Team Manager, Davis Legacy Soccer Club
- Precinct Captain, Davis Democratic Club
- Classroom Volunteer, North Davis Elementary School & Fairfield Elementary School

Honors and Awards

- Honorary Service Award, CA PTA

Professional Employment

- Special Projects Coordinator, Sacramento Public Health Department March 2016-March 2017
- Neighborhood Court Assistant, Davis location, Center for Intervention February 2016-present