



# Santa Barbara County Education Office

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## Santa Barbara County Board of Education

### APPLICATION TO FILL A VACANCY ON THE BOARD – TRUSTEE AREA 2

#### Important Dates

**August 8-17, 2022** – Window to submit application

**August 17, 2022, 5 p.m.** – Deadline to submit application

**August 26, 2022, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.** – Interviews of candidates (alternate date, if needed: Aug. 29)

**September 1, 2022, 2 p.m.** – Board meeting at which a provisional appointment will be made

#### Application Process

Completed applications should be submitted, along with a resume, to the Superintendent's Office at 4400 Cathedral Oaks Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93110, or via email to [afreedland@sbceo.org](mailto:afreedland@sbceo.org) no later than 5 p.m. on Wednesday, August 17, 2022.

Once applications are submitted, candidates will be contacted regarding next steps in the process. If a candidate is selected for an interview, interviews will be held on Friday, August 26, 2022, between 9 a.m.-12 p.m., at a special board meeting. An alternate date for interviews, if needed, is Monday, August 29, 2022.

Note: Board meetings are audio recorded, so candidate interviews will be recorded during the August 26, 2022 special board meeting.

The board will make a provisional appointment to fill the vacancy at the regularly scheduled board meeting on Thursday, September 1, 2022 at 2 p.m.

#### Eligibility Information

Interested applicants must be at least 18 years of age and a registered voter residing within the boundaries of Trustee Area 2 that existed prior to redistricting in 2022. Trustee Area 2 encompasses most of Goleta and a portion of western Santa Barbara.

Requirements per Education Code 1006: Any registered voter residing in Trustee Area 2 is eligible to be a member of the county board of education except the county superintendent of schools or any member of their staff, or any employee of a school district or charter school that is within the jurisdiction of the county board of education.

Interested applicants must be able to attend regular board meetings, which are held on the first Thursday of the month at 2 p.m. in person at the Santa Barbara County Education Office (SBCEO) located in Santa Barbara. Additionally, they must be able to serve on one to two board committees, which typically meet between once a year to three times a year.

Note: Under the California Public Records Act, copies of an application received by the County Education Office must be made available for public inspection and copies provided upon request. Contact information will be redacted.

## APPLICATION FORM

### CONTACT INFORMATION

<b>Name</b>		
<b>Home Address (Physical Address, no P.O. Boxes)</b>		
<b>Mailing Address if Different than Above</b>		
<b>Cell Phone</b>	<b>Home Phone</b>	<b>Business Phone</b>
<b>Personal Email Address</b>		
<b>Business Address</b>		

### OTHER INFORMATION

<b>Occupation and Employer</b>
<b>Number of Years of Residence in Trustee Area 2*</b>

\*Candidates must reside within the boundaries of Trustee Area 2 that existed prior to redistricting in 2022. This is because the provisional appointment is to fill the seat that has a term that began in 2020 and ends in 2024. So, the candidate must reside within the boundaries that existed when the term began in 2020. In the November 2024 General Election, all trustee areas on the ballot will be defined by the boundaries set after redistricting in 2022.

Candidates may call the Santa Barbara County Elections Office to confirm they reside within the correct boundaries: 1-800-722-8683.

**REVIEW ITEMS**

Review the following items and put a checkmark or "X" in the column on the right after you have reviewed them.	Reviewed
1. The video (2 minutes, 45 seconds) on the SBCEO homepage called, "What does a County Office of Education do?" <a href="http://www.sbceo.org">http://www.sbceo.org</a>	
2. The "About the Board of Education" section on the SBCEO board webpage: <a href="http://www.sbceo.org/board">http://www.sbceo.org/board</a>	

**QUESTIONS (You may attach/enclose additional pages to provide more information if needed)**

<p>1. Do you have prior experience serving on a board (non-profit or for-profit) or on a governing board, including a school district board or a county board of education? Please list such prior experience.</p>
<p>2. Why do you want to be a county board of education member?</p>
<p>3. What are the challenges you see facing public education in the county and what role do you feel the County Board of Education can play in addressing such challenges?</p>
<p>4. Describe any skills and experience that you may have, from your personal or professional life, that would benefit the County Board of Education.</p>
<p>Please be sure to submit your resume along with this application form.</p>

<b>Applicant Signature:</b>		<b>Date:</b>	
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I did not go to public K-12 in Santa Barbara County so I feel that I cannot speak to the specific challenges that face the Santa Barbara public education system at this time. However, growing up with a parent who was a teacher at a public school I know of some general challenges that are facing the public school system. A major challenge facing public education is educational equity disparities based on socio-economics. The board could address this by listening to the concerns of parents, teachers, and students about what they feel is needed in their school districts to succeed and advocate for these needs to the state. Another way the County Board of Education could address this issue is organize events which will highlight the issues stated and promote solutions for the district within the community.

I can provide a unique perspective to the board due to growing up in the public education system and seeing multiple sides of the system. My mother is a public high school teacher which has given me insight into how teachers interact with the public education system as well as give me perspective into the importance of the role teachers play in the lives of students. I also have the perspective of seeing how the public school system can sometimes fail students. My younger brother also navigated the public school system but he did so with learning disabilities. Despite protocol and policies being in place for children with learning disabilities, the schools that we attended did not want to provide him with the assistance he needed. I saw how much he struggled to maintain his grades and how much he needed to lean on his support system from home to be able to now attend a public university. I do not believe his story to be isolated and think that my unique perspective would allow the board to help students who are like my younger brother but might not have the support systems that he did.

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## OBJECTIVE

I am seeking appointment to the Santa Barbara county board of education for Area 2

## SKILLS & ABILITIES

- Proficient in computer applications including Microsoft Office, Google, Excel; quick learner, experience in of customer service and interfacing with all types of people.

## EDUCATION

- University of California, Santa Barbara Sep 2019- Present
- 3.58 GPA

## HOBBIES AND INTEREST

- Political Science with an emphasis on political theory and American politics
- Participation in recreational Sports

## WORK/VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Poll Worker, County Clerk's Office, Fresno CA Nov 2018

- Professionally answered questions about voting and verified voter registration

Political Campaign Staffer Mar 2020

- Part of the campaign staff for the 2020 election. Duties included canvassing and providing information about the campaign

Political Consultant for CVC Sep 2021 – Nov 2021

- Interfaced with people while providing information about political campaigns

SEEDS Program Employee Sep 2021 – Present

- Worked with a research mentor to develop creative research project ideas and gained hands on experience with the Python and R coding software

Zac Farley, personal reference  
Jared Daniels, Founder and Principal  
Rachel Weissler, University of Oregon

