



# ORANGE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## ANNOUNCEMENT OF BOARD VACANCIES AND REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS

April 12, 2024

To the Orange Unified School District Community,

On March 22, 2024, two vacancies were created on the Orange Unified School District Board of Education for Trustee area four (#4) and Trustee area seven (#7).

The Trustee vacancies will be filled by provisional appointment. Provisionally appointed Board members hold the office until the next regularly scheduled election per Education Code section 5091(e), unless terminated by petition per Education Code section 5091(c). Beginning April 12<sup>th</sup> through April 26, 2024, the Board will be accepting applications to fill these positions. Please go to this link for the application packet at <https://bit.ly/OUSDCandidateApplication> or you may pick up a packet at the District Office.

Candidates should make themselves available for an interview with the Board which is tentatively planned for May 2, 2024 (subject to change).

Completed applications will be accepted during regular business hours. To be considered as a candidate, the completed application must be received in the District Office by 4:00 pm on April 26, 2024, in person at the Superintendent's office or by email to [cerich@orangeusd.org](mailto:cerich@orangeusd.org).

The district office is located at  
1401 North Handy Street,  
Orange CA 92867.

If you have any questions, please contact Superintendent Ernie Gonzalez at [superintendent@orangeusd.org](mailto:superintendent@orangeusd.org) or Executive Assistant to the Board of Education/Superintendent Karin Erich at [cerich@orangeusd.org](mailto:cerich@orangeusd.org).

Sincerely,

Orange Unified School District  
Board of Education

**CANDIDATE INFORMATION SHEET  
Orange Unified School District**

*Please fill out and return by April 26, 2024 at 4:00 pm to cerich@orangeusd.org, or leave at the superintendent's office.*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Last Name) (First Name) (Initial)

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation and Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Years Residing in District: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have children in the district's schools? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, what schools? \_\_\_\_\_

1. Do you have prior experience serving on a governing board, specifically a school district board? Please list such prior experience.

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2. Have you worked on any school committees or participated in any school activities recently? Please list them.

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3. Describe any other community or business activities in which you have participated. describe your role, and whether your work was volunteer or employment-related

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4. Why do you want to be a school board member?

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5. What do you see as the basic purpose of the public schools?

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6. What is the role of the school board in the fulfillment of that purpose?

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7. How does the board's role differ from that of the superintendent?

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8. What should be the relationship between the board members and the administration in the handling of school concerns?

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9. Briefly describe your commitment to public education and our local school district.

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10. What do you see as the strengths of the school district?

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11. What do you see as the area(s) most needing improvement in the school district?

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\* Applicants may attach an optional letter or recommendation and/or resume. Anything included in or attached to the application is a public record.

ATTESTATION

I \_\_\_\_\_, am hereby applying for the vacancy on the Board of Education for Orange Unified School District Area \_\_\_\_\_.

Residency Requirement

I hereby declare that I reside within the boundaries of the Trustee area I am applying for pursuant to the statutory definition of residency provided in Government Code section 244 and applicant laws. If there is any change in the status of my residency. I agree to immediately notify the Superintendent of Schools in writing.

Qualifications

I hereby declare that I am eligible to be a Board member without further qualifications as set forth in OUSD Board Bylaw 9220. Board Bylaw states in relevant part:

Any person is eligible to be a Board member, without further qualifications, if he/she is 18 years of age or older, a citizen of California, a resident of the school district, a registered voter and not legally disqualified from holding civil office. Any person who has been convicted of a felony involving the giving, accepting, or offering of a bribe, embezzlement or theft of public funds, extortion, perjury, or conspiracy to commit any such crime, under California law or the law of another state, the United States of America, or another country, is not eligible to be a candidate for office or be a Board member except when the person has been granted a pardon in accordance with law. (Education Code 35107; Elections Code 20)

A District employee elected to the Board shall resign his/her position before being sworn in or shall have his/her employment automatically terminated upon being sworn into office. (E.C. 35107)

I understand that this application and anything attached to it is a public document and may be requested under provisions of the California Public Records Act.

I understand that upon appointment I would be required to comply with conflict of interest laws and policies and that I would be required to take an oath of office.

I attest the foregoing information is true to the best of my knowledge.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

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