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School Board Vacancy Interest District 4 and 10

An effective school board member is a community-minded leader who places students first, values collaboration, demonstrates integrity, and is committed to ensuring every child has access to a high-quality education. Board members serve as stewards of public trust, helping guide the district's vision, finances, and future while representing the voices of the community they serve.

Student-Centered Focus

- Keeps student achievement, safety, and well-being at the center of decision-making.
- Understands the importance of preparing students for college, careers, military service, and life.

Commitment to the Community

- Has strong ties to the local community and understands its values, challenges, and opportunities.
- Demonstrates a genuine interest in supporting public education and community growth.

Integrity and Ethical Leadership

- Acts with honesty, transparency, and professionalism.
- Makes decisions based on facts and what is best for students rather than personal interests.

Collaborative Mindset

- Works effectively with fellow board members, district leadership, staff, families, and community stakeholders.
- Respects differing viewpoints and seeks consensus when possible.

Strategic Thinking

- Can focus on long-term district goals rather than day-to-day operations.
- Understands the importance of planning for enrollment, facilities, staffing, finances, and academic outcomes.

Fiscal Responsibility

- Demonstrates an understanding of budgeting and stewardship of taxpayer resources.
- Supports responsible financial decisions while maintaining high-quality educational opportunities.

Effective Communication Skills

- Listens to community concerns and communicates clearly and respectfully.
- Serves as a bridge between the district and the public.