



Albuquerque Public Schools
2015 Questionnaire for Board of Education Candidates

The Board of Education is an elected body created according to the laws of the state of New Mexico to serve as the governing board of the school district for the purpose of organizing, maintaining, and locating schools and for providing educational opportunities and services for all citizens residing within the school district.

Candidates are requested to return their questionnaire to the Board Services Office, by 5:00 p.m., on Monday, January 5, 2015. Mailed questionnaires must be **received** by Monday, January 5, 2015. Address to: Board of Education Services Office, 2015 Board Election, Alice and Bruce King Educational Complex, P.O. Box 25704, Albuquerque, N.M.87125-0704. Questionnaires also may be faxed to 880-2575 by the deadline above. Please call the Board of Education Services Office at 880-3729 to confirm fax arrivals, or for other information.

Personal Information
[Please Print, Type or Use Digital Form]

Name: _____
 First Middle Last

Residence Address: _____

Length of Residency in School District: _____

(Check Preferred)

Home Telephone: _____ Office: _____ Cell: _____

Fax Number: _____ Primary Email address: _____

Occupation: _____

Employer: _____

Business Address: _____

Business Telephone: _____

Do you currently hold other public office?

Yes ____ No ____

If yes, list office: _____

Do you have any affiliations with the Albuquerque Public Schools? Yes____ No____

If yes, what are your affiliations? _____

Are you available to attend board meetings the first and third Wednesday nights of the month at 5:00 p.m.? Yes ____ No ____

Additionally, there are five board committees that mostly meet once a month at 7:30 a.m. or 5:00 p.m. Are you available to attend committee meetings? Yes____ No____

If no, please explain why: _____

Periodically, the board must meet during daytime hours for board meetings, budget hearings, and luncheons. Are you available during daytime hours for these activities?

Yes ____ No ____

If no, please explain why: _____

In addition to regularly scheduled meetings, the board requires approximately 20-25 hours a week in reading, researching, miscellaneous meetings, school visits, telephone calls, and e-mail correspondence; some board members spend more time than that. Can your schedule accommodate the extra time involved in serving as a member of the Board of Education?

Yes ____ No ____

Experience

Answers should be brief and concise.

1. Why do you want to be a board member for Albuquerque Public Schools?
2. What is your interest in education?
3. How would you support the mission of the district?
4. What is your past and current involvement with Albuquerque Public Schools?
5. What do you consider to be the strengths and weaknesses of Albuquerque Public Schools?
6. What do you consider the role of the Board of Education?

7. What do you consider the role of individual board members?
8. What should be the relationship between the superintendent and Board of Education?
9. What qualities would you bring to the Board of Education?
10. What school or community volunteer activities have you participated in related to the community?
11. How do you plan to work with constituents about district initiatives?
12. What letter grade would you give to the current Board of Education and the district?

13. What do you think is the best way for the district to:

- a. Improve academic achievement and close the achievement gap?

- b. Maintain financial accountability and still support student achievement, family and community engagement and a safe school environment?

- c. Make a safe and supportive climate for learning and working that maximizes student achievement?

- d. Engage families and enhance partnerships in the community to maximize student achievement?

By my signature, I affirm that I meet all requirements to become a member of the Board of Education.

Candidate Signature

Date