



**Albuquerque Public Schools
Questionnaire for Board of Education Candidates**

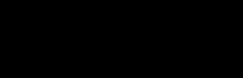
The Board of Education is an elected body created according to the laws of the state of New Mexico to serve as the governing board of the school district for the purpose of organizing, maintaining, and locating schools and for providing educational opportunities and services for all citizens residing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

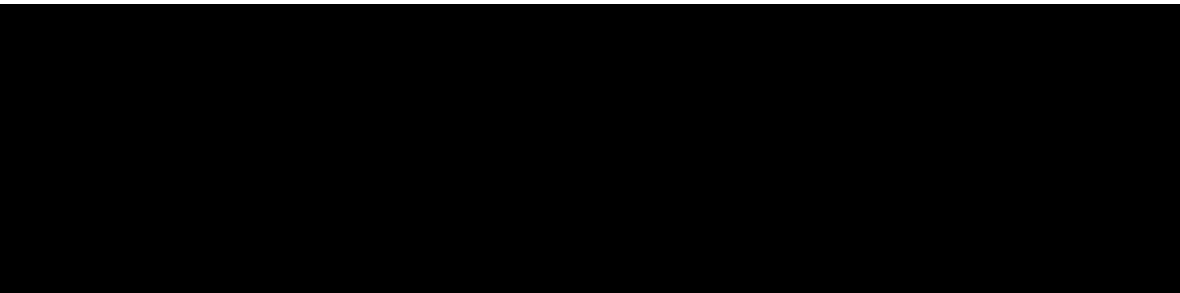
Candidates are requested to return their questionnaire to the Board Services Office, by 5 p.m. on Friday, January 7, 2011. Mailed questionnaires must be received by Friday, January 7, 2011. Questionnaires may also be faxed to 880-2575 by the deadline above. Please call the Board Services Office at 880-3737 to confirm fax arrivals, or for other information.

Personal Information

Name: JOHN D. HERRERA
First Middle Last



Length of Residency in School District: 6 1/4 



Occupation: School Counselor

Employer: APS (Rio Grande High School)



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? Counselor Rio Grande H.S.

Are you available to attend Board meetings the first and third Wednesday nights of the month at 5 p.m.? Yes No ___

Additionally, there are four board committees that meet twice a month at 7:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. or 5 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 ten hours a week in reading, researching, miscellaneous meetings, school visits, telephone calls, and e-mail correspondence. Can your schedule accommodate the extra time involved in serving as a Board member? Yes No ___

Experience

Answers should be brief and concise.

1. Why do you want to be a board member for Albuquerque Public Schools?

To represent my School District

2. What is your interest in education?

Life Long Career 43yrs

3. How would you support the mission of the district?

By representing my constituents

4. What is your past and current involvement with Albuquerque Public Schools?

41 yrs of Employment

5. What do you consider to be the strengths and weaknesses of Albuquerque Public Schools?

Student abilities vs Low achievement

6. What is the role of the Board of Education?

To establish policy

7. What is the role of individual board members? To work with other board members to establish best policy and to see that the superintendent carries it out.

8. What should be the relationship between the superintendent and Board of Education?

Employer - Employee

9. What unique qualities would you bring to the Board of Education?

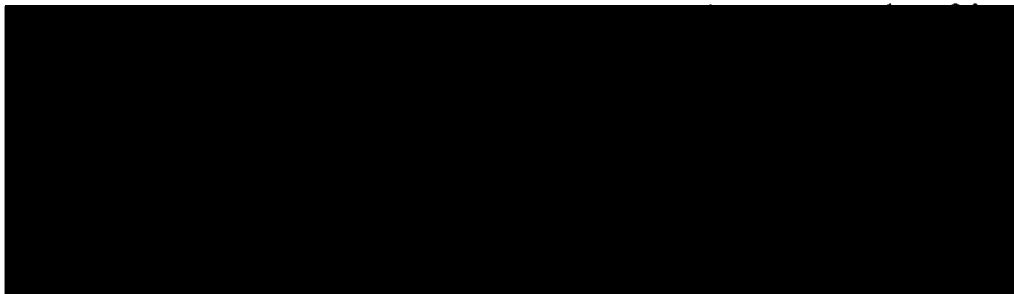
Student, Parent, Teacher involvement

10. Other school/community volunteer activities related to the community:

PTA President - Worked at Cibola, West Mesa, Rio Grande
Children attended Chaparral E.S., John Adams m.s.

11. What are your thoughts about:

- No Child Left Behind A starting point
- Closing the achievement gap A must.
- Parental involvement and community engagement Most Important



President Chaparral Elementary

Head of West Mesa Community Center Architecture Committee

West Mesa 1st APS All Weather Track

Holy Rosary Church Council

I-40 Overpass Emblem Committee

39yrs APS, 2 California, 2 Tojajiilee

Head Counselor West Mesa High School

Head West Mesa Track and Cross Country Coach

UNM Track Coach

Holy Rosary Coach

UNM Educational Specialist Degree

University of Albuquerque Degree

Budget - tax Base Inherit the Debt

Stadium

AP

Pre-School

9th-6th grades

Attendance

Evening School

PBL

PSL

CLIMATE EVALUATION

We can not give up on anybody