

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION (NONPARTISAN OFFICE)



- As the state's chief spokesperson for public schools, provides education policy and direction to local school districts.
- Directs all functions of the Department of Education and executes policies set by the State Board of Education.
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- Works with the educational community to improve academic performance.



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I am not a career politician trying to find a way to stay on the public payroll. Rather, I am a businesswoman, school board president, educator, civic volunteer and mother, who can no longer stand by and watch Sacramento politicians drive our schools into the ground. The first rule in choosing elected officials is to watch what they do, not what they promise. I'll take what I've accomplished in our large, diverse Anaheim Union High School District and extend those accomplishments statewide. The key to improving our schools has been to teach the basics. We also teach patriotism, civility and respect. Insisting that students wear appropriate academic attire has fostered less violence and vandalism

and has raised academic achievement. A daily "Moment of Silence" has helped students focus. We have created an environment where children can learn and teachers can teach. Teachers must be role models: professional attire for teachers will set an example for their students to follow. Clean restrooms and school campuses are now a reality as well. Greater emphasis must be placed upon trade and technology courses so that all of our students are prepared to become productive members of society. Career politicians have not fixed our schools. We, the teachers, students and parents of California, will. I ask for your vote so we can take a failing school system away from the politicians and put parents back in charge of their children's education. We can build a better future for our children and for our country.



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Our schools can and must do even better. The future of our kids depends on it. We've got great teachers. They need real parental involvement and top quality training. As a teacher, I know the importance of involvement and good training. We have made some progress. As State Senator, I wrote the law that began to reduce class size and provided up-to-date textbooks. But we can't stop now. I won't rest until we reduce class size in every classroom. Smaller classes mean more personal attention from teachers. Sadly, I'm the only candidate committed to reducing class size. I will restore accountability by conducting performance audits of our schools. I'm a taxpayer who supports our schools, but I hate to see our

money wasted. I will use these performance audits to ensure schools are accountable for how they spend our money; tax dollars should be spent in the classroom. These audits will ensure that every child has a certified teacher, modern textbooks and can attend a clean, safe school. I'm fighting to increase per-pupil spending, and I am the only candidate who has always opposed vouchers. We should increase funding for our public schools, not spend our tax dollars on voucher schools. I'm delighted to have the support of California's school teachers and education groups. California's leading newspapers say that I have been "highly effective in bringing people together for the cause of education." I would be honored to have your support so together, we can create quality public schools.