



School Board Candidate Survey



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The five candidates for Los Alamitos school board were invited to participate in the 2018 Candidate Survey Project, hosted by the California Alliance for Arts Education in partnership with a network of state and local organizations. The Candidate Survey Project offers local school board candidates across California the opportunity to go on record with their views about the role of arts education in public schools. The survey results give the public a way to learn more about candidates' views before they vote.

Why does this matter? Because of the emphasis on local control, i.e., Los Alamitos school district, through the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) and the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), the decisions on funding priorities rest with our school board.

The California Alliance for Arts Education (CAAE) advocates for a complete and comprehensive education – that includes instruction in music, theatre, visual arts, dance, and media arts – for every public school child. Key supporters of arts education are the Parent Teacher Association – Fourth District, Orange County Department of Education, Arts Orange County, and Boeing Company. Please note that neither CAAE nor PTA endorses a specific candidate.

California Education Code states that every K-12 student shall receive instruction in and access to a standards-based, comprehensive arts education. The arts are vital in

supporting key education priorities, and for developing work skills for the 21st century workforce and the creative economy.

Read our school board candidates' views about the role of Arts Ed in Los Alamitos.
<https://www.artsed411.org/survey/>

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