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Ardent Student & Parent Advocate is Elected
President of San José Unified's Board of Education

San José, CA. During the San José Unified Board of Education's annual organizational meeting, Leslie B. Reynolds was elected President of the Board of Education for 2009. Leslie, the Trustee for Area 5, represents the southern area of the District. Leslie was first elected in 2004 and ran unopposed in November 2008.

Leslie Reynold's dedication to the education of students in San José Unified began as a volunteer. Leslie and her husband, Bruce Reynolds, are the parents of two children who have attended Williams Elementary School, Bret Harte Middle School, and Leland High School. Leslie has always supported the needs of the SJUSD community. She has served in various elected positions within PTA and believes in public education and the right for all children to develop to their full potential. Her offices, both elected & appointed, include past PTA Council president, vice-president and historian, as well as historian on the Santa Clara County PTA Board. Her volunteer work includes past Santa Clara County School Boards Association's treasurer, past School Site Council president and PTA vice president for Williams Elementary. In October 2008, Leslie was elected as the Santa Clara County School Boards Association's president and is a delegate and governmental relations chair to California School Boards Association.

President Reynolds commented on the year ahead, "This economic recession places an immense burden on so many of us. In these difficult financial times, the Board and I will not compromise on our commitment to ensure a quality education for all of our students, in a safe atmosphere, where everyone is respected and welcomed to a learning environment where we are preparing our students for a global economy."

Prior to her role as a trustee and full-time mom, Leslie held several managerial positions at a large software subsidiary of General Electric.

President Reynolds recently obtained her Masters in Governance from California School Boards Association and has continued her education through West Valley Community College and San José State University. Leslie is currently taking a semester off to focus on the duties of President of the SJUSD Board of Education.



Leslie B. Reynolds,
President, SJUSD Board of Education

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