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Marana Unified School District No. 6



Marana is a beautiful and vibrant community and I look forward to serving as your Marana Unified School District Governing Board Member. I am dedicated to service and see this as an opportunity to give back to a community that gave me so much.

I am a married mother of 4 beautiful children. My husband and I own a successful business in the area and our roots run deep. I was born here in Tucson and attended Marana schools as a kid. I attended Brigham Young University and graduated with a bachelor's degree in Political Science in 2005. I ended my time there by working in Washington, D.C. with the Institute of International Education in their International Visitors Program. After that, I entered law school, graduated, and passed the bar in 2011. Since that time, I have been blessed to be at home raising my kids while my husband and I grew our business to a thriving addition to the community. I currently

serve on the board of two nonprofit organizations, one national and one local – right here in Marana.

In preparation to serve on the school board, I am earning a Master's Degree in Education Policy from the Johns Hopkins School of Education. The formula for an amazing education that supports children and teachers is not always straightforward, and I want to learn what is working all around the country in hopes of adopting similar strategies for children in my community.

As a member of the Governing Board, my first priority is to make sure all policies enacted in the district are Kids First! Curriculum and policies that are popular and trendy are not always in the best interest of children. Here, in Marana, we know that giving our kids the tools and skills to be successful is an investment in our community's path forward. Our policies in the school district should always put Kids First to guarantee that bright future for our children!

Protecting Parental Rights is a huge part of putting Kids First. Over the years, schools have organizationally isolated parents from the education of their children. My goal in Marana is to bring parents into the education process in a true partnership with teachers and schools. Data shows that this kind of true partnership with presence and voice in a collaborative atmosphere will improve the performance of students. How could it not? Students with a true team of parents and supportive teachers have the best chance of success we can give them!

As Marana Unified School District makes these steps forward, it will be my duty as your voice and elected official to make sure it doesn't step out of line. Funds and resources given to the district will be watched and planned for carefully. We will meet our educational and instructional goals when we work together to focus on the needs of our Kids First and upholding the strong traditions of hard work and community in Marana!