

PACIFIC UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
APPLICATION FOR PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

NAME: Cristy Dawson

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Length of residence in the Pacific Grove Unified School District: I have been a homeowner in the district since 2005 and a full time resident since 2014.

Education Attainment by Degree(s): BA English BA Theatre Arts MA in MFCC (Marriage, Family, Child Counseling) MA in Secondary Administration

Credentials: Standard Teaching Credential in Secondary Education Pupil Personnel Services Credential (Counseling) Credential for Secondary Administration in Education

Occupation: Officially Retired with some substitute teaching in the district

1. *Please describe your understanding of the role of a school board member:*

The role of a school board member is to provide oversight and guidance for the effective and efficient operation and management of the schools within the Pacific Grove Unified School District. This role also includes the ability to work in concert with other board members, community and staff on behalf of the district.

2. *Please describe the reasons for your interest in serving on the Board of Education:*

Serving on the board would be the perfect culmination of my 40 years as an educator. During the past year, I have enjoyed getting to know the staff and students in the district through substitute teaching. I have a keen interest in sharing my depth of knowledge in public education. My goal would be to add value to the Pacific Grove schools benefitting students, parents and the community. My background provides a unique perspective and my desire to continue my lifelong passion of serving students.

3. *Please describe any special skills, education, training, talents or other attributes that you possess which you feel are applicable to the role of a school board member:*

I have taught all levels of education from pre-school through twelfth grade. This has been primarily in the traditional educational settings, as well as in alternative education. I have also taught continuation high school, Young Parent's Programs, GED, Independent Study and in the Home and Hospital Program. Additionally, I have worked as a high school counselor and as an assistant principal at Los Altos High School.

Having worked in three different school districts throughout my career, I have developed tremendous depth of knowledge and experience.

Outside the classroom, I was a member of the Screen Actors' Guild and the American Federation of Radio and Television Artists. I have worked as a professional actress in cable, commercials, television and film. I was also a professional writer for television and a member of the Writers' Guild.

4. *Please describe your involvement and participation within Pacific Grove Unified School District (children in school, committee work, parent club participation, etc.):*

I have worked as a substitute teacher in the 2016-2017 school year.

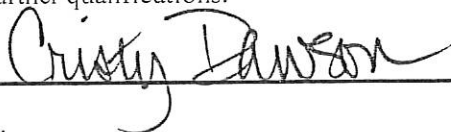
5. *Please describe your involvement and participation in any other community or business activities that you believe are relevant to the role of a school board member:*

For years, I served on the YMCA Board in Mountain View, CA. I have also been an active fund-raiser for various activities, including Camp Diversity for the Mountain View-Los Altos Union School District. I am currently an active member of the Spanish Bay Club.

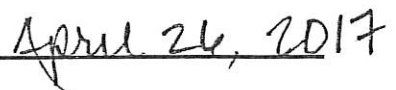
6. *Please use this space to add any other information that you would like to tell the Board about yourself:*

Besides a successful career in education, I have raised two sons and experienced first hand their successes and challenges in school. I am a strong team player with amazing energy and look forward to the opportunity of working on the Board. There is nothing more thrilling for me than witnessing student success, both on a small and large scale.

I certify that I am 18 years of age or older, a citizen of the state of California, a resident within the Pacific Grove Unified School District, a registered voter, and am not disqualified by the Constitution or laws of this state from holding a civil office. I am qualified to be elected or appointed a member of the Pacific Grove Unified School District Board of Education without further qualifications.



Signature



Date

DEADLINE: Friday, April 28 at 5:00 P.M.

RETURN APPLICATION TO:

Dr. Ralph Gómez Porras, Superintendent

Pacific Grove Unified School District Office

CRISTY DAWSON

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SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- 25 Years Secondary Teacher (LAUSD & MVLA)
- Counselor
- Assistant Principal
- Independent Study/ GED/ Young Parents Coordinator
- High School Diploma Program Coordinator
- Home & Hospital Coordinator
- WASC Coordinator
- 504 Coordinator
- Work Experience Coordinator
- Camp Diversity Director

EDUCATION

Santa Clara University	2000-2002
• MA Secondary Administration	
• Professional Clear Administrative Services Credential	
San Jose State University	1997-1998
• Pupil Personnel Services Credential	
California Family Study Center	1984-1987
• MA Marriage, Family & Child Counseling	
California State University at Fresno	1971-1974
• BA English /BA Theatre Arts	
• Clear Standard Secondary Teaching Credential	
California State University at San Diego	1970-1971

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

• Assistant Principal (Los Altos High School)	2001-2014
• Counselor (Los Altos High School)	2000-2001
• Coordinator Independent Study (MVLA Adult Education)	1999-2000
• Teacher/Counselor (Alta Vista High School)	1996-1999
• Teacher (Jack London Continuation High School)	1989-1996
• Substitute Teacher (Los Angeles Unified School District)	1975-1989

AWARDS/PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

LAUSD Alternative Education Teacher of the Year (1995-1996), Santa Clara County School District's Co-Administrator of the Year (2012), Association of California School Administrators (ACSA), California Activities Director's Association (CADA), California Teacher's Association, California Consortium for Independent Study, California Continuing Education Association, CCEA Vice-President (Los Angeles and Northern California) American Federation of Radio and Television Actors (AFTRA), Screen Actor's Guild (SAG), Writer's Guild of America (WGA)