

DAVID CLIFFORD**AGE: 40**

Father/Executive/Businessman

Education has always been my greatest passion and I consider myself a life-long learner. I firmly believe that education is the cornerstone for a successful future, which is why I am running for the Ocean View School District Board of Trustees.

As a 3rd generation Huntington Beach resident, I understand the needs of the community. Our suburban neighborhoods value public schools that are safe, inclusive, and focus on student achievement.

My education credentials include a BS in Aerospace Engineering and an MS in Supply Chain Management. A career in Transportation has allowed me to give back to local communities where I donate time at colleges and high schools to mentor and educate youth about college and career opportunities in the Transportation sector.

Last year the district tried to close four schools, but I worked closely with other parents in a grass-roots effort to keep our schools open with successful results. I will continue to fight for our schools and I will never sell surplus district property to developers so they can build high density housing.

My goal is for the district to get back to the basics and focus on math, science, reading, writing, and history. I support curriculum that emphasizes STEM/STEAM principles and will support programs like the Marine Science Wet Lab at Village View Elementary or the Environmental Science Farm at Golden View Elementary. Parents have worked hard to influence education at their local schools and I will promote pathways for more community involvement.

As a business owner I will bring fiscally conservative principles back to the board. The district has been frivolous with taxpayer money and spending has gone unchecked resulting in a \$6M annual budget deficit. At this rate the district will be bankrupt by 2030.

Budget deficits, declining enrollment, and school closures should not be the norm. The district needs a community-focused leader who will promote accountability and make informed decisions on behalf of the people. I am dedicated to creating a positive lasting impact on our children's education and well-being.

Please vote for David Clifford and help save our schools.

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