

ELLISA KIM

AGE: 42

Business Owner/Parent

I'm running for the Orange County Board of Education because I want to use my education and life experience to be a strong advocate for diversity, equity and inclusion for students and teachers and to promote quality education for all. I grew up as a daughter of poor 1st generation immigrant parents with elementary educations- early on I knew education was the key to a better life. I excelled through public schools and was the first in my extended family to attain college, graduate school and professional degrees. Specifically, I graduated from UCLA with a Women Studies and Asian American BA, a MA from Seoul National University and a JD from Purdue Global. My unique background has prepared me to be a leader in the Orange County Board of Education, to impart a unique perspective during this uncertain time. I will make sure to always put kids first, support teachers and focus on providing every child with the best quality education.