

**SERENE R. STOKES  
NEWPORT-MESA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER  
TRUSTEE AREA 4**

Occupation: Governing Board Member

As a Newport-Mesa Unified School District Trustee and a former public school principal I have the leadership qualities and expertise to provide a standards-based, accountable educational system.

Accomplishments during my past four year term include:

Adopted 2005-2010 Strategic Plan which will guide all budget expenditures  
Measure A Bond enhanced the learning environment and is now a state model

Teachers are highly qualified and participate in ongoing staff development  
District Model Programs include Preschools, English Learners, and Student Wellness

Implemented Gates Foundation Grant to strengthen alternative education programs

Passed Measure F Bond to modernize schools to meet 21st Century challenges

Goals for my next four year term include:

Academic Performance Index (API) statewide accountability system will reflect growth

Students will meet standards at every grade level with appropriate support

Accelerate English Learner language acquisition

Update technology with new equipment and student and staff training

Attract highly qualified staff and offer competitive salaries and benefits

Maintain district-wide safe school campuses

Measure F Bond will enhance the educational learning environment

Education: B.A. Education, M. A. Administration - California State University

I will meet the challenges of the future because I believe "Children Come First."

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