

JOHN PALACIO

Governing Board Member, Santa Ana Unified School District

As an experienced school board member, I have managed taxpayer funds in an efficient manner.

Preparing students for the future; maintaining safe schools; improving test scores; improving the quality of our schools; providing safety upgrades and essential repairs are major priorities.

As a parent of a child with disabilities, I know the importance of making a difference, including providing training programs which empower our parents to help their children academically succeed.

As a consultant, I have raised funds for charities, scholarships and school programs. I have been active with the boy scouts; little league; developmentally disabled youth; the Elks and Lions Clubs.

I am proud of the following:

Graduation rates continue to increase, surpassing California and Orange County averages.

93% of graduates are attending college and 25% are graduating with a Seal of biliteracy.

Increasing the number of students attending fundamental schools.

Academic programs are being recognized nationally.

Dual college credit and industry certifications are increasing.

Providing pre-school; summer school; after-school and weekend tutoring programs.

Reducing school overcrowding and student dropout rates.

Providing state-of-the-art classrooms, science, computer and engineering labs.

Increasing English instructional hours.

My children graduated from Santa Ana schools. Contact me: jpalacio@pacbell.net.