



APPLICANT QUALIFICATION FORM

Minimum Qualifications for Application (mandatory information):

Full Name: Cristina Mathers
 Physical Address: 1871 San Buena Ventura Way, San Miguel, CA 93451
 Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes
 Are you 18 years or older? Yes
 Are you a registered voter? Yes

Additional Information (optional):

Length of Residence in District: 18 years
 Children in District (Y/N): Yes
 If Yes, Schools Attended or Attending and Dates: PRHS, 1 freshman, 1 sophomore
 Home Phone: 805-610-0689 Cell Phone: 805-610-0689
 Occupation: Self-employed business owner and office manager
 Employers: Owner: Mathers Tile and Stone / Office Manager: Refuge Church
 Work Address: Refuge Church: 6955 Portola Road, Atascadero, CA 93422
 Work Phone: Refuge Church: 805-466-3354
 Email Address: matherscristina@gmail.com

I, Cristina Mathers, hereby certify I am a qualified voter and resident of the PRJUSD in the County of San Luis Obispo, in the state of California, and wish to be considered for appointment to fill an unexpired vacancy in the Board of Trustees of the District. The appointment expires in 2022. The term expires in 2024. The appointed candidate may seek election at the 2022 election for the final 2-year term.

I hereby certify that I meet all legal requirements to be a School Board Member of the PRJUSD.

I hereby certify that the information I have presented in the submitted application packet is complete, accurate and true to the best of my knowledge, and hereby authorize the Board of Education to verify this information as may be required. I understand that all application materials I have submitted are subject to the laws governing public information.

I understand that the District will review my offender status in the "Megan's Law" database. I further agree that if I am appointed to fill the Board vacancy, I will obtain fingerprint clearance through the Department of Justice and Federal Bureau of Investigation within one month of appointment and prior to visiting any District school sites when students are present.

Applicant: Date: 11/22/2021





SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENT APPLICATION
Additional Information

Application of: Cristina Mathers Date: 11/22/2021

1. Have you served on or do you currently serve on any community commission, committee or other type of board or in any other publicly elected office? If so, which of these and dates served?

No.

2. Do you hold any other public office or have any business relationship with the district that might constitute a potential conflict of interest with service on the Board? If so, please list the public office or business relationships so we can verify your eligibility for office, if you wish.

No.

3. Have you participated in any school, city, or community activities or committees recently? Please list and explain.

I serve in the children's and women's ministry at my church. When my children participated in theater and dance at Paso Robles Youth Arts Foundation, I was a frequent parent volunteer. I am also currently assisting in a Christmas theater production at First Baptist Church in Paso Robles.

4. Briefly explain your reason or interest in becoming a school board member.

In this time of political and social division I feel strongly led to step forward and be part of the solution. I would do so while representing families and the community but most importantly the students who have faced such adversity in the last few years. It is critical and possible to reach a solution and to do so with fairness, compassion, and common sense.



5. What do you see as the basic purpose of the public schools?

The purpose of public schools is to provide an academic education to all students while practicing transparency to keep citizens and taxpayers fully informed.

6. What is the role of the school board in the fulfillment of that purpose?

To fulfill this, I believe that trustees should be active listeners to parents, students, and staff as well as the community while working together to achieve common goals and uphold educational code.

7. What should be the relationship between the board members and the administration in the handling of school concerns?

The board should work in conjunction with administration to handle all school concerns in a confidential way that is in the best interest of the student and the school while upholding the local and educational codes.

8. What is the single most critical issue facing the District in the immediate future and how would your background and experiences help the District to meet this challenge?

A critical issue that I see is a lingering spirit of division as well as a declining enrollment. I would use my experience as a local business owner, a long time (former) school employee and even as a parent to promote unity and fairness among the district. I would also focus on the positive success stories of students to help build enrollment. I believe doing so would be the start of correcting those issues.

9. What do you see as the strengths of PRJUSD?

PRJUSD has many strengths. I appreciate the diverse campuses across our city that provide a variety of programs to our students and families. I find great strength in the CTE program and know many students who have benefited from enrollment in the program. Another strength is the variety of honors and dual enrollment classes which my own children benefit from greatly.



10. What do you see as the area(s) most needing improvement in PRJUSD?

I think that PRJUSD has had a challenging few years. Trust, transparency, and reduction in staff turnover is critical right now. As I mentioned, enrollment could also be improved upon. I believe that continuing to foster trust and unity among students, parents, staff, and the community will greatly help these issues.

11. Additional information or remarks you believe are relevant to this appointment:

My family has been in the north county for 20 years. We chose the north county to raise a family because the small-town feel, and the sense of community resonated with us. I feel confident my experiences as a parent, business owner, and as a woman with a complicated ethnic background have cultivated strong values and morals that I take pride in. I feel that first and foremost I am fair, an active listener and compassionate communicator and care deeply for the children of our community. Should I be appointed as a trustee I would do my absolute best to serve the students, parents, staff and community with such fairness, kindness and consideration to all.

12. Can you commit to attending the following meetings beginning at approximately 5:00 p.m.?

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| a. January 11, 2022 | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. January 25, 2022 | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. February 8, 2022 | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d. February 22, 2022 | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e. March 8, 2022 | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| f. March 22, 2022 | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |

