

# **Empowering All Students To Thrive**

# JCSD#1 Board of Trustees Vacancy

**Purpose:** To identify and appoint a community member to fill an unexpired term on the JCSD#1 Board of Trustees, ensuring alignment with the district's Strategic Plan goals of Leadership & Strategic Planning, Communication & Stakeholder Engagement, and Ethics & Compliance.

#### **Critical Information/Links**

- WSBA Board Member Information
  - Become a School Board Member
  - Challenges Facing New Board Members
  - Now That I Am Elected to the School Board
  - Oath of Office
- JCSD#1 Static Plan
- JCSD#1 Governance Leadership
  - LG Board Policies 1.1-1.7
  - LG Board Policies 2.1-2.14
- <u>JCSD#1 2024 2030 Initiative</u>

## **Step 1: Public Announcement of Vacancy**

- The District will announce the open Board vacancy:
  - After Board approval of the letter of resignation at the April 14th regularly scheduled board meeting.
  - Through JCSD#1 website, social media platforms, & local media outlets
- The announcement will include:
  - Board member responsibilities and commitments
  - Length of term: until November 30, 2026
  - Application Submission Deadline: May 5, 2025
  - Board Timeline:
    - Board will review letters of interest at the May 7th Special Board Meeting (Work Session)
    - Board will recommend appointment at the May 12th Board Meeting

### **Step 2: Requirements**

Candidates must submit the following to the JCSD#1 Central Office by the deadline:

- Letter of Interest addressing:
  - 1. Their motivation for serving on the JCSD#1 Board of Trustees
  - 2. Relevant experience and community involvement
  - 3. Commitment to JCSD#1's Vision, Mission, and Strategic Plan
- Responses to 3 Critical Questions (max 300 words per response):
  - 1. How will you contribute to the continuous improvement of JCSD#1 through the lens of the Strategic Plan?
  - 2. What is your perspective on the role of a Board of Trustees member in supporting effective school leadership, student achievement, and community engagement?
  - 3. Describe a time you engaged in a difficult conversation or decision. How did you handle it, and what did you learn?

## **Step 3: Board Review of Letters of Interest**

- The full Board of Trustees will review all applications at the Special Board Meeting Work Session on May 7, 2025
- Letters will be evaluated using a rubric that includes:
  - Alignment with District goals and values
  - Communication and leadership skills
  - Community service and school involvement

#### **Step 5: Board Decision**

- The Board will recommend and vote to appoint a new trustee at the regular Board meeting on May 12, 2025.
- The selected individual will be sworn in and serve until the next regular election cycle, per Wyoming Statute.

#### **Additional Notes**

- This process reflects recommendations from the Wyoming School Board Association regarding transparency, public trust, and due diligence.
- JCSD#1 is committed to ensuring that the appointed Trustee supports the District's commitment to excellence, collaboration, and ethical governance.