



NEWS RELEASE

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Anna Marie Jackson Laurence selected to fill Everett Public Schools Board of Directors Position 3

Laurence will finish out term vacated in March



Everett, WA—The Everett Public Schools Board of Directors has selected Anna Marie Jackson Laurence to fill the Director Position 3. The school board made their decision during a special meeting on May 1, 2025.

The public interviews began at 11:30 a.m. and were followed by an executive session to deliberate the candidates' qualifications. Returning to open session at approximately 4:51 p.m., the board voted three to one to appoint Laurence to serve until December 2025.

Applicants were evaluated through both written applications and interviews, with attention to qualifications, experience, and potential fit with the board and district.

The school board interviewed the following five candidates:

- Jeffrey Doan
- Ryan Weber
- Anna Marie Jackson Laurence
- Curt Lillibridge
- Demetria Chatters

“We were fortunate to have such a strong pool of candidates who brought diverse experiences, deep community connections, and a shared passion for public education,” expressed School Board President Traci Mitchell. “The board approached this process with care, deliberation, and a commitment to finding the best fit to serve our students, families, and staff. We welcome Anna Marie Jackson Laurence to the board and look forward to the perspective and energy she will bring to our collective work.”

As part of Laurence’s application, she shared, “I want to serve our community in a meaningful way, and I cannot think of a better way than helping our next generation be the best it can be.”

About Anna Marie Jackson Laurence

Laurence serves in a range of community leadership roles, including with the Rotary Club of Everett, the Assistance League of Everett, the Gertrude Jackson Memorial

Scholarship, and the Henry M. Jackson Foundation. She has also served on the boards of the Everett Museum of History and PEPS (Program for Early Parent Support). Her volunteer work has focused on scholarship administration, fundraising, and organizational governance. Laurence holds a Juris Doctor from the University of Detroit School of Law and a bachelor's degree in American History from Stanford University. Her professional experience includes serving as a Deputy Prosecutor for Snohomish County and as a Foreign Affairs Specialist at the U.S. Department of Defense.

Laurence will be sworn in during the regular school board meeting that begins at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 13, 2025, in the Community Resource Center Board Room, 3900 Broadway, Everett.

The new director will receive a full-day school board orientation in June and will participate in the district's annual board planning session in August.

The Position 3 seat will be on the ballot in November 2025. The filing window for interested candidates is May 5–9.

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