

**Rico Campaign
SUSD Board of Trustees Area 3
General Election 2020
Candidate Statement**

ALICIA RICO

Ballot Designation: Parent/Independent Business woman

Eastside Stockton has been my home for over 27 years. I am the parent to five children who attend schools within the Stockton Unified School District. I am also a long-time community and school volunteer. I am passionate about the educational success of our children and have spent the last 20 years working to improve the plight of all of our students. I am committed to ensure student's academic, social, and emotional success by providing the resources needed to attain a high school diploma and be College and Career ready.

I have served on the School Site Council and English Language Advisory Committees at Elmwood Elementary School, Henry Elementary School, and Franklin High School. During my tenure on these committees, I have held the positions of Secretary, Vice- President, and President. In addition, I have served on the SUSD Parent Advisory Council and the District English Language Advisory Committee. My focus is to assure that the school budget is aligned to the success of all students by providing the necessary instruction, intervention, and support needed during and after school. As a parent, I also work diligently to guarantee that our voice is represented in the budget and plans. The parent perspective cannot be overlooked.

I am committed to working in collaboration with the entire school community so that we represent and capture the opinions of all of the stakeholders that we serve. Our teacher, parent, and student perspectives are crucial in meeting our goals. As a parent, I am focused on safety and student achievement. I want to know that our schools are safe when I drop off my kids each day. I also want to know that they are, at minimum, achieving at grade level. In order for our students to be College and Career ready, our instruction must be aligned to the demands of the 21st century. Our schools must provide the curriculum and prepare our teachers to meet these demands.

I am a mother and your neighbor for the past 27 years. Like you, I am deeply committed to ensuring that the future of our students is bright. Let's work together to make this a reality. I would be honored to have your vote.