



REQUIRES BOARD ACTION

January 31, 2024
MEMORANDUM

To: CSBA Member Boards and Even-numbered County Board Presidents and Superintendents
From: Albert Gonzalez, CSBA President
Re: 2024 Ballot for CSBA Delegate Assembly — **U.S. Postmark Deadline is Fri. March 15**

Enclosed is the ballot material for election to CSBA's Delegate Assembly from your region or subregion. It consists of: 1) the ballot (on red paper) listing the candidates, the reverse side of which contains the names of ALL current members of the Delegate Assembly from your region or subregion; and 2) the required candidate biographical sketch form and, if submitted, a resume. In addition, provided is a copy of the ballot on white paper to include with your board agenda. **Only the ballot on red paper is to be completed and returned to CSBA. It must be postmarked by the U.S. Post Office on or before Friday, March 15, 2024.**

Your Board may vote for up to the number of seats to be filled in the region or subregion as indicated on the ballot. For example, if there are three seats up for election, the Board may vote for up to three candidates. However, your Board may cast no more than one vote for any one candidate. The ballot also contains a provision for write-in candidates; their name and district or county office must be clearly printed in the space provided.

The ballot must be signed by the Board President, Board Clerk, or Superintendent as a designee of the board, and returned in the enclosed envelope; if the envelope is misplaced, you may use your district's or county office's stationery. Please write **DELEGATE ELECTION** prominently on the envelope along with the region or subregion number on the bottom left corner of the envelope (this number appears at the top of the ballot). If there is a tie vote, a run-off election will be held, and ballots will need to be postmarked on or before April 30. Results will be published by May 11, 2024.

For County Boards of Education Only:

Per Standing Rule 52, in regions with more than one county, each county board of education has one vote to elect the county board member who represents the county board(s) in the region in the Delegate Assembly. One-county regions will appoint the county Delegate. Your county board may vote for only one candidate to fill the Delegate position representing the county boards within your region. Enclosed is the ballot material for election to CSBA's Delegate Assembly of the county board representative from

your region. It consists of 1) the ballot (on GREEN paper) listing the candidates, the reverse side of which contains the name of the current member of the Delegate Assembly representing the county boards in your region; and 2) the required candidate biographical sketch form and, if submitted, a resume. In addition, also provided is a copy of the ballot on white paper to include with your board agenda. **Only the ballot on GREEN paper is to be completed and returned to CSBA. Like the ballot on red paper for the other Delegate seats in your region, it must be postmarked by the U.S. Post Office on or before Friday, March 15, 2024.**

The ballot on GREEN paper must be signed by the Board President, Board Clerk, or by the County Superintendent, as a designee of the board, and returned in the enclosed envelope. If the envelope is misplaced, you may use your county office's stationery. Please write **DELEGATE ELECTION** prominently on the envelope along with the region number on the bottom left corner of the envelope (this number appears at the top of the ballot). If there is a tie vote, a run-off election will be held, and ballots will need to be postmarked by May 1. The results for the county board seat in each region will also be published by May 11, 2024.

All re-elected and newly elected Delegates will serve two-year terms beginning April 1, 2024 – March 31, 2026. The next meeting of the Delegate Assembly takes place on Saturday, May 19 and Sunday, May 20, 2024. Please do not hesitate to contact the Executive Office at nominations@csba.org should you have any questions.

Encs: Ballot on red paper and watermarked "copy" of ballot on white paper
 Ballot on green paper and watermarked "copy" of ballot on white paper
 List of all current Delegates on reverse side of ballot
 Candidate(s)' required Biographical Sketch Forms and optional resumes
 CSBA-addressed envelope to send back ballots

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This complete, **ORIGINAL** Ballot must be **SIGNED** by the Superintendent or Board Clerk and returned in the enclosed envelope postmarked by the post office no later than **FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 2024**. Only ONE Ballot per Board. Be sure to mark your vote "X" in the box. A *PARTIAL, UNSIGNED, PHOTOCOPIED, OR LATE BALLOT WILL NOT BE VALID.*

OFFICIAL 2024 DELEGATE ASSEMBLY BALLOT
SUBREGION 4-D
(Nevada, Placer, and Sierra Counties)

Number of seats: 1 (Vote for no more than 1 candidate)

Delegates will serve two-year terms beginning April 1, 2024 - March 31, 2026

**denotes incumbent*

Tiffany Saathoff (Rocklin USD)*

Provision for Write-in Candidate Name

School District

Signature of Superintendent or Board Clerk

Title

School District Name

Date of Board Action

See reverse side for list of all current Delegates in your Region.

REGION 4 – 8 Delegates (8 elected)

Director: Renee Nash (Eureka Union SD)

Below is a list of all elected or appointed Delegates from this Region.

Subregion 4-A (Glenn, Tehama)

Melissa Peters (Los Molinos USD), term expires 2024

Subregion 4-B (Butte)

Sharon Nilsson (Oroville City ESD), term expires 2025

Subregion 4-C (Colusa, Sutter, Yuba)

Nicolo Orozco (Yuba City USD), term expires 2025

Greg Forest (Wheatland Union HSD), term expires 2024

Subregion 4-D (Nevada, Placer, Sierra)

Alisa Fong (Roseville City SD), term expires 2025

Tiffany Saathoff (Rocklin USD), term expires 2024

Jessica Spaid (Placer Union HSD), term expires 2025

County Delegate:

David Patterson (Placer COE), term expires 2024

Counties

Glenn, Tehama (Subregion A)

Butte (Subregion B)

Colusa, Sutter, Yuba (Subregion C)

Nevada, Placer, Sierra (Subregion D)

View results

Respondent

86

Anonymous

78:21

Time to complete

1. I have been... *

Appointed

Nominated

2. Your signature indicates your consent to be placed on the ballot and serve as a Delegate, if elected *

Tiffany Saathoff

3. Full name *

Tiffany Saathoff

4. Region/subregion *

4D



5. Name of District or COE *

Rocklin Unified School District

6. Years on board *

3

7. Profession

CA State Assembly Chief of Staff

8. Contact number *

916-380-9711

9. Primary email address *

tiffany4rocklin@gmail.com

10. Are you an incumbent Delegate? *

Yes

No

11. Why are you interested in becoming a Delegate? Please describe the skills and experiences you would bring to the Delegate Assembly. *

As the incumbent delegate for Region 4D, I have fought to protect local control and ensure local concerns are heard and addressed at the state level. I created a network for local school board members to connect with school board members throughout the state. I rallied other delegates statewide to support the reopening of schools and the end of arbitrary statewide mandates such as the masking of young children and vaccine mandates that have since been repealed. I take seriously the responsibility of ensuring our county is heard and represented at the state level. I spoke up at the Delegate Assembly to ensure CSBA opposed legislation that would have limited local control and to ensure all values and beliefs are represented and respected at CSBA trainings and events. In light of the litany of bad legislation introduced this last session, it's critical that we have a delegate with experience combatting the attacks on local control, knowledgeable of legislation and the legislative cycle, and in regular communication with school board members and delegates throughout the state to be fully effective.

12. Please describe your activities and involvement on your local board, community, and/or CSBA. *

As the current President, and past Vice President, I have executive board leadership experience. Having served two terms on the Audit committee, I am well versed in education finance. As a member of our 2x2 city committee and 2x2 student committee, I worked closely with city council electeds and student body groups to accomplish city and county projects. Having served on the Facility committee, I have experience in effectively prioritizing and completing campus projects and am knowledgeable of school bonds. Having served as a board member on our education foundation non-profit, I am experienced in building and leveraging the support of non-profits to fund and implement district programs. Elected to and currently serving on our county education committee, I am knowledgeable of our county needs. As a board member assisting with the revision and implementation of effective board study sessions on the Rocklin Unified School Board, we saw an increase in student achievement in both mathematics and language arts. As an incumbent delegate, I have experience fighting for and protecting our county districts.

13. What do you see as the biggest challenge facing governing boards and how can CSBA help address it? *

Over the last three years we have seen continual overreach from the state to limit the local control of school boards. I am a strong advocate for local control and believe school board decisions are best made by the individuals elected to represent their own communities. School Board members know their communities, their unique challenges, and their student needs the best. No two districts are the same. It's critical that we elect delegates that will continue to pushback on arbitrary statewide mandates and will support local decision making, ensuring student needs are put first. Additionally, with a statewide budget deficit, it's critical that we have strong leadership to ensure dollars are protected for our districts. CSBA's influence on legislation, trainings and legal protection can assist greatly with key delegates in place to ensure resources are maximized to support our local concerns.