



EXAMPLES OF Q6 ESSAY:

Advocacy

- Communicates frequently with legislators, public, press, staff, and community.
- Often quoted in local newspaper and radio stations.
- Instrumental in passage of the District's first GO Bond in 40 years

Leadership

- The longest serving School Board member who knows history of the district best. During the recession, assisted with difficult annual negotiations that limited total instructional day cuts and included no midyear staff reductions.
- Has been a proponent of taking advantage of numerous ESD services such as CARE, technology and instructional coaching.
- Booster Club leader who has generated thousands of dollars in donation to support the district.

Student Achievement

- Proponent of and advocate in emphasizing the Board role in making student success program implementation successful. Regularly attends District meetings to encourage collaboration between staff with a focus on closing the achievement gap.
- Lead the establishment of annual Board goals that focus on improving attendance (95%) and student achievement. Directly supports students by announcing and keeping score for games and other school events.

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It's with great pleasure that I nominate xxxxxxx for this honor. His accomplishments are many and his contributions to our district are truly invaluable, here are a few:

Advocacy: Testified for education bills in Salem in support of FBLA; worked with our state legislators to adapt state laws to better facilitate our school expansion processes; helped promote the Promise of Oregon campaign and Leadership Oregon.

Leadership: Serves as a regional FBLA Board Chair; member of the xxxx Foundation; represents OSBA School Board members on the OEBB; started a foundation to build a facility to teach aviation and drone skills to students; started and leads a Coding Club at the middle school; worked tirelessly to help pass our bond; Platinum level OSBA leadership academy.

Student Achievement: Helped expand a local math competition into a multi-district event, similar to OBOB. He has reached out to staff to provide free Spanish courses for English speaking teachers; works individually with FBLA and Skills USA students; strong advocate for equity; attends many school sporting and extra-curricular events; takes time to talk with students, have lunch in the schools with students and staff.

The ultimate professional and public servant.

ESSAY EXAMPLES, CONT.

Advocacy

- Ensured our diverse local families and community know they are supported and safe in our schools. *1
- Participated in "The Promise of Oregon," OSBA's public education support campaign with our students featured.
- Ensured the District's Legislative Agenda was advocated/communicated broadly. *2

Leadership

- Led passage of capital bond measure in May 2014; established a charter for the citizen Bond Accountability Committee

to ensure funds are spent as promised. *3

- Led the work to bring clarity and accountability to the district's Strategic Plan, 2016. *4
- Led the School Board through a very fast and successful hiring process for an interim superintendent and new superintendent in 2016.
- Board earned Master School Board designation, Dec. 2014.
- Ensured the District's budgeting process is multi-year, transparent and understandable. *5
- Developed Board Handbook to assist colleagues. *6

Student Achievement

- District's overall graduation rate has improved to nearly 86%, continuing a positive trend. *7
- Four-year cohort graduation rate for students of historically underserved race/ethnicities has increased at twice the rate of Oregon as a whole (14.8% compared to 7.3%).
- Implementing Early Childhood Learning, Career Technical Education and AVID programs to equitably meet the needs of all students.

*= see attachment/evidence

EXAMPLES OF SUPPORTING EVIDENCE:

Letters of recommendation

News articles, letters to the editor and radio interviews by this person or that mention this person and their school board work

Public testimony submitted to Oregon Legislature

Awards won, including completion of OSBA Leadership Institute

Initiatives such as:

- Created a new mentor program called "board buddy" and serves as a mentor to two of the five board members currently
- She was a big proponent of creating a student representative on the school board, which is being implemented next year