

My name is Noelle Anderson and I am running for a position on the board of the Globe Unified School District.

I currently have two school age children, one a freshman at Globe High School. As all parents, I am very invested in assuring a high quality of education for my children in order to prepare them for a fulfilling and successful career.

I have worked within the education system since living in this community for the past 5.5 years. Concerned about and wanting to be involved in the school system led me to begin at my sons' elementary school, Copper Rim. I had a wonderful experience there my first year, getting to know the fantastic staff and families along with becoming familiar with the school district. I moved on to High Desert Middle school the following year and again had a great experience with the administration and staff. You can never truly appreciate how hard working and dedicated school staffs are until you work among them. They are amazing people that we should give thanks to every day!

I then worked 2.5 years with Helios on the Southern Gila County College Preparatory Academy project, an academic enrichment program for students within Globe, Miami and San Carlos. Currently, I am Dr. Linda O'Dell's, the Gila County Superintendent of Schools, assistant. The GCS Education Service Agency projects enhance the educational opportunities for our students countywide that include, but are not limited to, a myriad of professional developments for our teachers, and collaborations with SFAZ, the SCi-Tech Foundation, and AZSEF among others that forge STEM based initiatives instilling students' excitement about Science, Technology, Engineering and Math while motivating them towards higher education and careers in those fields. One of the GCESA's signature projects has been the annual Post Secondary Education Fairs. This October marks the 4<sup>th</sup> year for the event in Globe and we just completed a 2<sup>nd</sup> very successful fair in Payson.

I am proud to be involved in all these positive projects that promote the value of education in our communities. As invested members of Globe, beyond valuable employment, we all need to give back. I have always volunteered with our school advisory councils, PTOs and extra-curricular boards. My hope is to be a part of the solution!

Running for Globe school board is a natural extension of my aspirations for our community. I wish to see GUSD become as academically competitive as any school within Arizona. Our students should be afforded the same opportunities as any of the bigger school districts. I want our teachers to know that they are valued and supported. We need to find the means to keep our greatest assets, our educators, here for the duration of their careers: encouraging their continuing education, supplying them with the technology and means they need to be successful in engaging students, and compensating them competitively for their true worth.

Thank you for your consideration of me, Noelle Anderson, in becoming your next Globe Unified School District board member.

