

MICHELLE BARTO

Incumbent

I am a mother of 4 NMUSD students, a web developer and small business owner, and most recently NMUSD Board of Education Board President. I have spent the last 25 years working to make the Newport-Mesa community better as a volunteer, parent, and most recently as an NMUSD Trustee. Through my involvement with the Assistance League of Newport-Mesa, Pretend City Children's Museum, Harbor Council PTA, Project Hope Alliance, and also as Trustee on the Coastline Regional Occupational Program Board I see and understand the needs of our students. It is my promise that no one will work harder to give our students the best chance to succeed.

In 2018, I ran as the voice of change for NMUSD. Over the past three years, despite the effects of Covid-19, our district has realized many of the changes I hoped to achieve such as: Energized, fresh leadership; a focus on transparency and community engagement; and increased mental health support for students and staff.

However, there is still more work to be done.

I ask for your support to continue the work I have started this year towards:

better preparing students for their futures with challenging and engaging academic opportunities from PreK-12th grade; guiding fiscally responsible facilities decisions that meet student and community needs; creating a culture where students and staff feel supported and engaged; increasing engagement and transparency with parents; using lessons learned during the past two years regarding technology and learning to further improve outcomes.

I am honored to have the support of many neighbors and members of the community. Go to my website, www.votebarto4board.org for details.