



## 2016 Delegate Assembly Candidate Biographical Sketch Form

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Please complete, sign and date this required one-page candidate biographical sketch form. An optional, one-page, single-sided, résumé may also be submitted; both will be copied exactly as received. Please do not state "see résumé" and please do not re-type this form. Any additional page(s) exceeding this one-page candidate form will not be accepted. It is the candidate's responsibility to confirm that all nomination materials have been received by the CSBA Leadership Services department. Late submissions will not be accepted. If you have any questions, please contact Leadership Services department at (800) 266-3382.

Name: <u>Kalimah Salahuddin</u>	CSBA Region-subregion #: <u>5</u>
District or COE Name: <u>Jefferson Union High School District</u>	Years on board: <u>4</u>
Profession: <u>Administrative Coordinator</u> Contact Number: <u>650-201-9870</u>	E-mail: <u>kalimahs@gmail.com</u>
Are you a continuing Delegate? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, how long have you served as a Delegate? <u>2 years</u>	

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

I have always had a very strong interest in education policy and bring a strong background of education advocacy both locally and in Sacramento for over a decade. I have served as the chair for Saving Pacifica Schools, a political action committee that lobbied on behalf of Pacifica schools and helped to amplify the parent voice. Also as a board member for Educate Our State that helped to unite that parent voice across the State and during my tenure as a Board Trustee for the Jefferson Union High School District and the San Mateo County School Boards Association. I have participated and organizing lobbying days and parent education and outreach. Over the past year I have also focused on race and equity in education, organizing a county wide conference last year and continuing to work with the San Mateo County Board of Education to shine a light on this very important issue. Bringing diversity both in ethnicity and zip code is another reason why I chose to serve. I want to ensure that all areas and voices are represented from our region.

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

Currently I serve on our district's Articulation Committee, District Advisory Committee, Charter School 2x2 Committee, San Mateo County School Boards Association, The Big Lift Advisory Committee, CSBA Delegate Assembly and completed my Masters in Governance training last year. I have participated in all of the CSBA organized Board Member Lobby Days both locally and in Sacramento. I serve as a non-voting member on the Jefferson High School PTA and the Oceana and Terra Nova PTOs. As I stated previously, through the San Mateo County School Boards Association I organized a conference on Education, Equity and Race and also organized one of the two New Board Member trainings that we held in 2015. I also serve as a Board Member for Habitat for Humanity Greater San Francisco where I have been a volunteer for the past 11 years.

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

Some of the biggest challenges I see are the renewal of Prop 30 and the shifting teacher pension burden, the teacher shortage in this state with a specific focus on Special Education teachers, affordable teacher housing in our area, financial equity in per pupil funding across our county, and continuing to strive to make the LCAP a relevant and living document that is easily accessible to parents and the community.

I believe that CSBA has become a much stronger advocacy body to ensure that we, as board members, are part of these important conversations. Many times, even though we set policy in our districts, we are not in the room when these major policy shifts and changes are being discussed. Continuing to make our voice heard in Sacramento and across the state is critical. I would like to play me part in helping to do just that.

Your signature indicates your consent to have your name placed on the ballot and to serve as a Delegate, if elected.

Signature:

Date: 11/24/15