



ARTS ARE ESSENTIAL. LEARNING IS CRITICAL. ARTS IN LEARNING IS TRANSFORMATIVE.

JOIN OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS!

AECSD was established in 1967 as a non-profit corporation in the state of California and has emerged as a state-wide leader in creating outstanding arts-in-education programs.

Mission: Arts Education Connection San Diego (AECSD) engages professional teaching artists to provide high-quality arts education programs in all genres for students, families, and communities; advocating for, leading, and advancing education through the arts.

Vision: We envision world where all students, families, and communities imagine, create and thrive through the arts.

Why join? Board members make a difference and are active participants in fulfilling our mission. Our Board of Directors guides our strategic direction and our long-term sustainability. Their leadership helps ensure our vision, values and commitment to arts education are delivered in our daily work.

Board members work collaboratively with other members, the executive director, and the staff. They contribute in ways that match their interests, abilities, talents, and connections.

We value a broad range of personal and professional backgrounds. We are especially seeking people with experience working in public or private education, finance, technology, legal professions, marketing, and larger corporations.

Membership on the Board carries with it obligations to:

1. Actively participate in quarterly meetings of AECSD's Board of Directors and the annual retreat.
2. Actively participate on at least one Board committee/task force and take on special assignments, as necessary.
3. Oversee the establishment of agency policies and plans (and review annually) to ensure strong fiscal and operational accountability.
4. Annually approve and regularly monitor AECSD's budget and fiscal health to ensure prudent financial management and to assure the availability of funds to cover operating costs.
5. Attend at least one school or community program per year, in addition to supporting special fundraising and promotional events.
6. Give an annual cash gift that is personally meaningful and make a concerted effort to secure additional gifts that support AECSD programs, events, and services.

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7. Ensure the sound evaluation of AECSD's programs and services.
8. Actively seek donors, volunteers, corporate partners, and new board members to maintain and build the strength of the organization.
9. Keep all non-public board information confidential, including but not limited to contractual negotiations and arrangements, personnel matters, financial information and proprietary information.
10. Share one's passion for the cause with your friends, acquaintances, and the community at large.

The time commitment for membership is approximately 4-6 hours per month on board, committee, and fundraising related duties. Board terms are for 3 years.

Our current board committees are:

- Executive/Finance,
- Marketing/Development, and
- Future Programs and Strategy.

All board members are required to sign a conflict-of-interest policy.

Positivity, passion, and commitment for Arts Education Connection's mission are the most important keys to success in this role.

Interested? We'd love for you to bring your experience, passion and support to our Board! Please contact our Executive Director Adrienne Valencia at adrienne@artsedsd.org for more information about this leadership opportunity.

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