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CAPISTRANO UNIFIED BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPOINT CASTELLANOS TO TRUSTEE AREA 5

Public Swearing in to Take Place at the September 18, 2019 Board of Trustee Meeting

SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO, CA – The Capistrano Unified School District Board of Trustees

appointed Krista Castellanos to fill a vacancy in Trustee Area 5 at its special meeting on

September 9, 2019. Castellanos replaces Trustee Gary Pritchard, who announced his resignation

due to his relocation.

Castellanos has served as a public school teacher for over 20 years and also serves as a member

of the CUSD PTSA. Castellanos looks forward to the opportunity to engage with parents,

community stakeholders, and city officials in collaboration that serves all children. "It is

important for us to work as a community to empower our students to become lifelong learners,"

Castellanos said. "As we work together with a common vision, success will come for all

students."

The Board of Trustees chose to appoint a replacement for Trustee Area 5, saving the school

district approximately \$185,000 for the cost of a special election. The Trustee Area 5 seat will be

up for re-election in November 2020.

"We are delighted to welcome Trustee-elect Castellanos to the CUSD Board of Trustees," said

Superintendent Kirsten Vital. "Ms. Castellanos is a tireless advocate for public school children

and we look forward to her service on behalf of CUSD students."

Castellanos will be publically sworn in at the September 18, 2019 Board of Trustee meeting

scheduled for 7:00 p.m. at the CUSD Education Center located at 33122 Valle Road in the city

of San Juan Capistrano.

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