

Joint County Voters' Pamphlet Candidate Statement

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1. Filing Information

Election Date: 5/20/25

Amended Statement

Name of Candidate (as it should appear on the ballot):

Jessica Arzate

Filing for the Office of: MESD School Board

District/Position: Position 4 Zone 4

"This information furnished by" (Required: Name of Candidate or Committee as it should appear in the Voters' Pamphlet):

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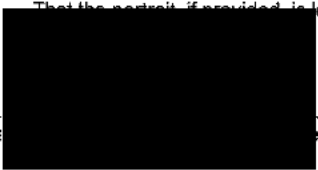
ORS 260.715 (1); 260.993; 161.605; and 161.625.

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By signing this document, I hereby state:

- That all information provided by me on this form and in this 'Candidate Statement' is true to the best of my knowledge;
- That I am the author of this 'Candidate Statement' (ORS 251.415);
- That I have read and understand the instructions for submitting this 'Candidate Statement'; and
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Signature of Candidate



3/24/25

Date Signed

(If applicable) Printed name of Agent

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County: _____

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Jessica Arzate

Occupation: Chief Impact Officer at Greater Than (education nonprofit in Reynolds and Hillsboro School Districts)

Occupational Background: Early Learning Multnomah Hub Manager at United Way; alternative education teacher and teaching assistant; ESL instructor

Educational Background: CSU Long Beach, M.Ed in Dual Language Development; UC Irvine, BA in Anthropology

Prior Governmental Experience: MESD Vice-Chair (Present); OSBA Legislative Policy Committee; Student Success Act Rules Advisory Committee; Ethnic Studies Advisory Committee; School Board Members of Color Caucus Co-President; OAESD Governance Committee; National School Board Association Delegate Assembly Member; East Portland TIF Steering Committee

Jessica has 15 years of experience as an educator and has been leading and coordinating efforts to improve outcomes for the children who face the most barriers.

Education is my life, both personally and professionally. I have enjoyed being a board member with MESD for the past 8 years. The services the MESD provides are personal for me as someone whose education journey included alternative education and alternative pathways to a high school diploma. The MESD exists to meet the needs of our most vulnerable student populations. This includes students in alternative education, who are seeking multiple pathways to graduation.

The attack on education by the current administration is not only setting a dangerous precedent but will undeniably have a lasting impact on generations of students.

As a board member, I will advocate for legislative policies that:

1. Improve inclusive and comprehensive education.
2. Increase and maintain the diversity of the educator workforce.
3. Uphold Oregon's Sanctuary Promise in our schools.
4. Support statewide equitable systems.

I am the best candidate because I have demonstrated the ability to effectively work with school districts to advance equity, culturally sustaining education, and continuous improvement efforts that advance racially just learning environments for resilient youth and historically underserved student groups.

Proudly Standing with Jessica

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East County Rising PAC

Latino Network Action Fund

Next Up Action Fund

Oregon Futures Lab

Stand for Children

Color PAC

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