

2020 Endorsement Questionnaire South County

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APA Democratic Caucus of Alameda County



PLEASE COMPLETE AND SUBMIT BY SEPT. 9, midnight. Please take time to review the questions before filling in the boxes since you cannot save the responses for later completion. Thank you for your interest in being considered for an endorsement by the Asian Pacific American Democratic Caucus of Alameda County. Please answer each question in 250 words or less. Be honest and direct. Please note: your questionnaire will be posted on our website for Caucus members and the public to review.

Personal Information

Candidate Name *

Terrence Grindall

City and zip code of residence.

Newark, 94560

What is your campaign website address?

www.terrence4newark.org

What is your campaign email address?

terrence4newark@gmail.com

What is the office that you are seeking? *

- City of San Leandro City Council
- City of San Leandro School Board
- City of Hayward City Council
- City of Hayward, Unified School District Trustee
- City of Fremont, Mayor
- City of Fremont, City Council, Dist. 1
- City of Fremont, City Council, Dist. 5
- City of Fremont, City Council, Dist. 6
- City of Fremont, Unified School District, Dist. 1
- City of Fremont, Unified School District, Dist. 4
- City of Fremont, Unified School District, Dist. 5
- City of Union City, Mayor
- City of Union City, City Council
- New Haven School Trustee, Area 1
- New Haven School Trustee, Area 2
- New Haven School Trustee, Area 3
- City of Newark, Mayor
- City of Newark, City Council
- City of Newark, School Board
- City of Newark, School Board, Short term
- Eden Healthcare District
- Washington Hospital Healthcare District
- Oro Loma Sanitarv District

Ohlone Community College

Alameda County Water District

AD 20, State Assembly Representative

AD 25, State Assembly Representative

Ohlone Community College, Area 2

Other:

Are you the incumbent?

Yes

No

Are you a registered Democrat? The APA Democratic Caucus can only endorse registered Democrats

Yes

No

How long have you been a registered Democrat? If less than 5 years, please explain your reason for becoming a Democrat.

39 Years

Are you an APA Caucus member?

Yes

No

Why are you seeking the Caucus's endorsement?

Your organization represents a critical segment of the Newark community. I would like their support in my effort to improve the Newark School District

List ONLY the top 5 endorsements that you have received. (Please reference your website if you want to alert us to more).

Newark Mayor Alan Nagy, County Assessor Phong La, Tri-City Democratic Forum, South Alameda County Young Democrats. Please see my website Terrence4newark.org for more endorsements.

If we endorse you, will you use our name in your campaign materials?

Yes

No

Maybe

How long have you lived in the district which you are seeking to represent?

14 Years

Educational background: What schools have you attended, date graduated, major and degree(s) earned.

BA in Urban Studies San Francisco State University, all coursework for Masters in Urban Planning at San Jose State University

Employment: List the last three (3) paid positions, indicating name of employer, job title, and length of employment.

Assistant City Manager City of Brentwood- 1.5 years, Assistant City Manager City of Newark, 13 Years, Ranchwood Homes, Vice President for Development- 2 Years.

What are the names of any community or nonprofit organizations with which you have been an active volunteer in the past 3-5 years.

Newark Educational Foundation, Newark Optimist Club, Newark Rotary Club, LOV Tri Cities.

CANDIDATE QUESTIONS

1. What differentiates you from your opponents for the elected office that you are seeking?

I have a extensive professional expensive that is relevant to the District's challenges and extensive experience with the Newark Educational Foundation in helping the District to face challenges.

2. Describe one issue for the district you want to represent for which you have provided leadership and about which you are passionate.

Science and music education in the schools. Work to close the digital divide.

3. What percentage of the district you [or intend to] represent are of APA heritage?

29.8% and rising.

4. Please identify the three largest APA ethnicities in your district.

Filipino, Asian Indian, Chinese

5. Please identify the most at-risk APA community in your district and explain why.

On average, Filipino households have income challenges that contribute to the digital divide. This problem is exacerbated by the need for distance learning.

6. List the three top concerns of members of the APAs in your district.

1) School Reopening Safely 2) Technology availability to all students 3) Expanding educational options- such as International Bachelorette and language immersion programs.

7. During the COVID-19 pandemic, reports of anti-Asian verbal and physical attacks have arisen. If you are the incumbent, how have you addressed this? If you are a candidate how will you address this?

Communication of the scientific facts regarding COVID -19 transmission is the best way to combat this particular form of abuse. In my campaign I am stressing the importance that the decisions regarding COVID -19 be based on science. In addition I will support efforts to fight racism and bullying in our schools.

8. Do you believe that Asian and Pacific Americans are adequately represented in local government? What can elected officials do to improve participation?

On the existing School Board 2 of 4 members are of Asian descent.

9. Please identify all Asian Pacific American candidates whom you have personally endorsed over the past 5 years including this election cycle. If there are none, please explain.

Phong La, Bowen Zhang, Ro Khanna, Kansen Chu, Mike Honda

10. If you were faced with a situation that involved an Asian Pacific American community, would you seek consultation with our Caucus as a resource?

Yes

No

Thank you for completing our questionnaire.

Please submit your responses by Sept. 9, 2020 midnight. Our South County Endorsement Meeting is scheduled for Sat., Sept. 20 from 1 to 3 pm on Zoom. Only those candidates submitting the questionnaire on time will be on our endorsement ballot. No changes to your responses can be made after it is submitted.

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