



# Press Release

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## Lynwood Unified Appoints New Board Member at Special Meeting

**Lynwood** – Lynwood Unified administered the Oath of Office to newly appointed Board member Julian Del Real-Calleros who was selected during a special meeting on April 8 to review applicants for the open Board seat.

Del Real-Calleros was one of seven applicants who appeared before the District's Board of Education, and the Lynwood community watching via livestream, and was voted in to replace recently retired Board member Alma-Delia Renteria.

"I'm honored to be given this opportunity to serve this community in a greater capacity," Del Real-Calleros said. "To the Lynwood community – I'm ready to work hard to advocate for your best interests. I'm looking forward to working alongside my fellow Board members to bring the very best to Lynwood."

Del Real-Calleros now joins Board President Maria G. Lopez, Vice President Alfonso Morales, Clerk Alma Carina Castro, and Board member Gary Hardie Jr.

Renteria announced her retirement effective after the March 11 Board meeting, opening the door for applicants of the community. The seven applicants selected for the April 8 meeting participated in a public interview prior to the Board vote.

Del Real-Calleros is a former graduate of the District who has served as a substitute teacher in Lynwood Unified and full-time teacher in the Los Angeles Unified School District. He brings a strong record of community service through his work on the City of Lynwood's Planning Commission, and mentorship as a Lynwood baseball coach.

"We are excited to welcome Mr. Del Real-Calleros who brings to our Board a youthful passion and commitment to making positive change," President Lopez said. "We are eager to continue the great work of the District while implementing fresh ideas that inspire our children to success."

Lynwood Unified is continuing its staggered reopening of elementary schools, which began on March 22 with K-2 students of Helen Keller and Washington, with five additional schools set to open their doors on April 15. The District is also providing local COVID-19 vaccination opportunities to the community at Firebaugh High School through a partnership with St. John's Well Child and Family Center.

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The **Lynwood Unified School District** is dedicated to offering students a world-class education to prepare them for success in college and career in the 21st century. Under its Achieving Greatness Initiative, the district is realigning all aspects of its organization to strengthen and expand instructional programs, enrichment and extracurricular activities, and support system for students and staff. For more information, visit [www.lynwood.k12.ca.us](http://www.lynwood.k12.ca.us).

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“We have much to look forward to as we collaborate to bring a successful new era to Lynwood Unified,” LUSD Superintendent Gudiel R. Crosthwaite said. “

**PHOTO CAPTIONS:**

**040921\_LUSD\_BOARD1:** Julian Del Real-Calleros was appointed to the Lynwood Unified Board of Education during a special meeting on April 8.

**040921\_LUSD\_BOARD2:** Julian Del Real-Calleros, right, is sworn in to the Lynwood Unified Board of Education by Superintendent Gudiel R. Crosthwaite and Board President Maria G. Lopez during a special meeting on April 8.

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The mission of **Lynwood Unified School District**, the cultivator of innovative thinkers, is to ensure each student fearlessly achieves his or her highest academic and personal aspirations while contributing to the greater society through a unique system distinguished by:

- ★ People of great character who inspire and lead by example
- ★ The instilling of courage to be creative
- ★ The transformative uses of technology
- ★ Safe and clean environments
- ★ The honoring of all voices of our community