

Dear Friend:

I am running for re-election to the Tulsa Board of Education and I need your help.

You may recall, I was elected to a four-year term in February 2003. The experience has been very gratifying. The first three-plus years – with Dr. David Sawyer at the helm – was an unqualified success. I feel that I was able to play a part in many good things happening at TPS during this time. A few that come to mind:

- Initiating school-based clinics.
- Instituting full-day kindergarten at all elementary schools in the district.
- Passing a bond issue that included the future construction of a new Clinton Middle School and renovations and additions to many schools including Webster High School and Lee, Remington, and Addams elementaries.
- Initiating academic programs that have enabled many of our schools to come off “needs improvement” status as defined by the federal No Child Left Behind Act.
- Launching the District’s “journey to performance excellence” and the quest for the Malcolm Baldrige Award.
- The successful search for a new superintendent and the hiring of a dynamic new leader - Dr. Michael Zolkoski.

I am seeking a second term because so much more needs to be done – and I believe the Tulsa Public Schools is poised to continue tremendous improvement in serving our community and its children.

Another candidate also has filed for this office and I expect it to be vigorously contested. I have established a campaign committee - **Gary Percefull for School Board Committee** - and am organizing a re-election effort and soliciting the resources necessary to fund such an enterprise. Your support will be very much appreciated. No contribution is too small and all will help greatly.

I have enclosed a contributor statement for your convenience. Please return it along with any contribution to: 3704 Southwest Blvd., Tulsa, OK 74107.

I also hope you also will share any thoughts you may have about the direction that Tulsa Public Schools is heading and any advice or concerns you may have. Please feel free to contact me by phone or email anytime.

Again, thank you very much for your support and encouragement in the past.

Sincerely,



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