



Chaffey Community College District Notice of Vacancy and Provisional Appointment (Governing Board District 1)

On October 21, 2025, Kathleen Brugger notified Chaffey Community College District and the San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools of her deferred resignation (retirement) as a Chaffey Community College District Board member (Governing Board District 1). Board Member Brugger's last day as a Governing Board Member will be December 18, 2025.

In October 2025, the Chaffey Community College Governing Board voted to proceed with the Provisional Appointment process, set forth in the Education Code, to fill the vacancy in District 1. On November 10, 2025, the Chaffey Community College District Governing Board selected Andrea Dutton as the Provisional Appointee to fill the Governing Board District 1 vacancy.

As set forth in California Education Code section 5091, "...the registered voters of the district may, within 30 days from the date of the appointment, petition for the conduct of a special election to fill the vacancy. A petition shall be deemed to bear a sufficient number of signatures if signed by at least the number of registered voters of the district equal to 1 ½ percent of the number of registered voters of the district at the time of the last regular election for governing board members, or 25 registered voters, whichever is greater. However, in districts with less than 2,000 registered voters, a petition shall be deemed to bear a sufficient number of signatures if signed by at least 5 percent of the number of registered voters of the district at the time of the last regular election for governing board members.

The petition shall be submitted to the county superintendent of schools having jurisdiction who shall have 30 days to verify the signatures. If the petition is determined to be legally sufficient by the county superintendent of schools, the provisional appointment is terminated, and the county superintendent of schools shall order a special election to be conducted not less than 88, nor more than 125, days following the order of the election."

Please refer to California Education Code section 5091 for additional information, which includes the definition of "registered voters," petition requirements, etc.

Further, unless a petition calling for a special election, containing a sufficient number of signatures, is filed in the Office of County Superintendent of Schools within 30 days of the date of the Provisional Appointment, the Provisional Appointment shall become an effective appointment.