

Dear ITA Members,

The OC Board of Education is a race important to all of us because 3 people on that board of 5 can override our school board's decisions, even if none of the 3 live in our district. Currently the majority of the board is actually spending over \$1,000,000 of our tax money, meant for students, on their own attorneys to sue the Superintendent over control of the budget; they want to eliminate a \$170,000 line item for administration travel to Sacramento for education meetings.

We need to VOTE in the March 3 election to re-elect **BECKIE GOMEZ**, to elect **JORDAN BRANDMAN**, and to elect **ANDY THORBURN**. If all three of these candidates can win, the board majority will again focus on the needs of all our students, including the most vulnerable in the county.

Just as a reminder, CTA endorses YES on Proposition 13 as well to provide much needed funding for k-12 and state college safety and other improvements. Prop 13 is also endorsed by the PTA, the California School Board Association, and the League of Women Voters.

Thank you for voting and sharing this information with friends and colleagues!

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