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Chief Executive Officer
Dr. Keith Curry**

COMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
1111 East Artesia Boulevard
Compton, California 90221

**APPLICATION FOR PROVISIONAL
APPOINTMENT
To BOARD OF TRUSTEES – TRUSTEE AREA 2**

by
Jonathan Taylor
February 18, 2026



COMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
APPLICATION PROCESS FOR PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENT
TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES – TRUSTEE AREA 2

This process is for a provisional appointment to fill a vacancy in Trustee Area 2 pursuant to Education Code section 5091(a)(1). A provisional appointment would be effective only until the November 3, 2026 regularly scheduled election, unless a petition for a special election is filed and deemed legally sufficient by the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools, in which case a special election would be ordered.

1. Applicants for provisional appointment to the position of Trustee Area 2 (Willowbrook, Enterprise, Compton, and West Rancho Dominguez) must submit a completed application packet, which includes:
 - A letter of interest addressed to Juanita Doplemore, President of the Board of Trustees
 - A resume, including community service and leadership
 - A completed application form and questionnaire (enclosed)
2. The application packet must be submitted to the Office of the President/Chief Executive Officer, Compton Community College District, 1111 East Artesia Blvd., Compton, CA 90221; or by email to kcurry@compton.edu.
3. The amount of material submitted by an applicant may not exceed eight pages.
4. **Applicant materials must be *received* by the President/Chief Executive Officer no later than 12:00 p.m. PST, Thursday, February 19, 2026.**
5. Applicants are advised that their applications and all accompanying materials are public documents and will be posted to the Compton Community College District website.
6. The Board will review the applications at its Regular Meeting on **Monday, February 23, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.** Interviews for selected applicants will take place at a Special Board Meeting on **Monday, March 9, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.**

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Letter of Interest

Honorable Juanita Doplemore,
President of the Board of Trustees
Compton Community College District
1111 East Artesia Boulevard
Compton, California 90221

Dear President Doplemore:

It gives me great pleasure, and I consider it an honor even before being selected, to simply apply for provisional appointment to the position of Trustee Area 2.

I am interested in applying for the provisional position at this time so that I may share my passion for the Compton Community College, utilize my expertise of the workings of the Board and to make contribution to the in progress efforts of the Board as it continues to rebuild the success of Compton Community College as a first class center for learning.

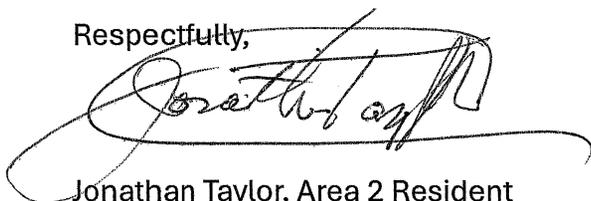
My close-up relationship with Compton Junior College began in my late childhood years as I witnessed an older brother study to earn his Associate of Arts Degree in Electrical Engineering. From those observant years to now, my association with the College literally have never ended.

My relationship with the College remains and continues to only change in response to eras of development in society in general, changes in the surrounding community specifically and matters of change in my life personally. My application at this time suffices that fact.

My most intense time at the College I invested as a volunteer member of this community with others, investing countless hours of advocacy in letter writing, appealing to various legislators and other persons of interest for the return of self-governance. Those efforts bore fruit and the Board continues to nurture the orchard of those efforts.

As the Provisional Trustee, I will be an asset to the Board in its governing efforts to nurture the College, as the College hones its ability to serve its well-deserving student population.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jonathan Taylor", written over a horizontal line.

Jonathan Taylor, Area 2 Resident
Applicant for Provisional Trustee Appointment

**COMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
TRUSTEE VACANCY APPLICATION FORM**

Name: Jonathan Biron Taylor
Home Address: 1440 E. 122nd Street
City, State, Zip: Los Angeles, CA 90059
Phone: Home: 323-567-2614 Business: 310-680-5400 Cell: 323-541-7007
Email Address: jbtayloreducator@aol.com
Occupation: Public School Teacher (retired)
Company: California State Teachers Retirement System/STRS
Business Address: P.O. Box 15275
City, State, Zip: Sacramento, CA 95851-0275

In addition to your resume, please provide responses to the following required items.

Education (List degrees or highest year completed and the college or school)

Master of Arts Occupational Studies--California State University Long Beach 2005
Bachelor of Vocational Education--California State University Long Beach 1999

Employment History (most recent 10 years)

Official retirement from full-time teacher duties in June 2014; beginning 9/2024 to current, I am accepting guest teacher (substitute) assignments in the Inglewood Unified School District.

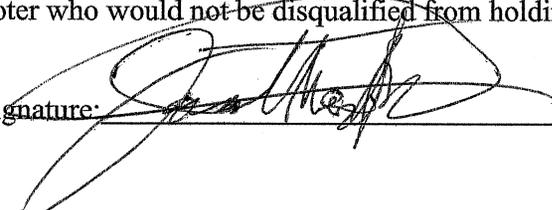
Public and Community Service

My most prolific public community service has been performed as a full-time paid classroom teacher in Compton Unified Schools and the Los Angeles Unified David Starr Jordan H.S. I regularly perform unpaid community service in conjunction with my church's outreach programs.

(Check if applicable) I am related to a current District employee. If yes, name of employee and relationship:

I understand that I may not simultaneously be an employee of the Compton Community College District and serve as a member of the Board of Trustees.

I certify that I meet all eligibility requirements. (Note: To be eligible, an individual must be at least 18 years old; must be a resident of the District and specifically Trustee Area 2; must be a U.S. citizen; must be a registered voter who would not be disqualified from holding civil office by the Constitution or any law of the state.)

Signature:  Date: February 18, 2026

**COMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
TRUSTEE VACANCY QUESTIONNAIRE**

This information is required in addition to your resume.

1. Please describe your understanding of the role of a California Community College District Trustee and explain why you are interested in serving as a Trustee for Compton Community College District.

As a District Trustee overall my role will be to enter in and participate with other Board members in discussion to make collaborative decisions that move the college in fulfilling its mission as a California community College. These decisions may address in part: (if needed) employing the District's Chief Executive Officer; establish the educational priorities of the District, also establish policies for current and long-term plans and programs consistent with mission for California Community Colleges as established by the California State Legislature. I am interested in serving because I have a more than casual knowledge of the process and duties.

2. Briefly share your public service and involvement in the Trustee Area 2 (Willowbrook, Enterprise, Compton, and West Rancho Dominguez) communities and how this service would enhance your position as a member of the Compton Community College District Board of Trustees.

My most intense public service was performed in direct relationship to the College. As a volunteer with a local community-based nonprofit, I participated in attending Board Meetings, organizing and attending public meetings, contacting public officials all during the period as the College was anxious to have its self-governing authority returned to its own Governing Board.

3. What is your understanding of the primary responsibilities of the Board, and how do you envision your role as one member of the Board?

In a summary description, I understand primary responsibilities of the Board is to set and create policies that ensure the College is legally operated in those manners mandated by federal, state and self-established policies and rules. Central to that ability, the Board must receive regular reports from the CEO as to the efficiency of District Administration, faculty and staff in fulfilling their prescribed duties in order to move the College to success in meeting its challenges and goals. As a Board member my role will be to hear and review reports from the CEO and participate with Board members in discussion of said reports.

4. What do you see as the major educational issues facing California community colleges in the next 3-5 years?

I believe the assault on authentic student learning and knowledge by artificial/synthetic information devices, and the harm artificial knowledge will inflict on student self-confidence, self-esteem and self-motivation in the impending near future is the major educational issue facing students. This challenge is not only bearing down on students at the community college level but will also inflict noticeable learning challenges to students across all grade levels.

5. What do you see as the major educational issues facing the communities served in Trustee Area 2 in the next 3-5 years?

I believe the major educational issue in Trustee Area 2 has not waited for the next 3-5 years to materialize. The Area 2 Community is challenged with motivating its young men of the primary employment ages of 25 to 35 to return to the community college and fill courses which will provide them Certificate evidenced job ready skills. An unfortunate reality of the small numbers which remain in the community through this age range, many of this age geographic missed the nurturing and urging to consider pursuing blue-collar trades as career paths. Many old reasons for not pursuing blue-collar trades, primarily the idea of low wages have disappeared. Most blue-collar trades now enjoy premium pay scales.

6. Who do you believe you will be representing if you are appointed to the Compton Community College District Board of Trustees?

As a voting member of the Compton Community College District Board of Trustees, voted decisions of the Board pertain to all of the District. As a result, I will represent every resident residing within the District. More specifically however, as Trustee of Area 2, residents within the Area 2 region of the District will be my matters of specific concern.

7. How would you ensure that all constituent groups – internal and external – have a voice in the governance of Compton Community College District?

Sharing the word to make sure "everyone has heard" is a persistent handicap throughout the Compton Community College District. As a result most people remain uninformed of Community College issues. The lack of awareness, prevents knowing the mechanics of issues. The "local newspaper" has become the relic of simpler times. For more persons to have voice in Compton Community College District governance, social media broadcasting must be fully utilized. Along with social media, paper signage advertisement in smaller communities such as a community college District remains effective. In addition to the official Board room a remote meeting site may help a first-time visitor to a Board Meeting feel less intimidated and at ease. Along with attending a Board meeting at their local school, in addition to the discussion of community college issues, there is also an ideal opportunity to introduce various pockets of the local community to an unsung resource for learning, right in their neighborhood named...Compton Community College.

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OBJECTIVE

Utilize formal knowledge, professional experience and proficiency in public service protocols to be appointed as administrative/support personnel in the office of locally elected Public Official.

CURRENT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Compton Unified School District, 12/13-12/16

Classified Personnel Commissioner-Create policy to operate Classified Personnel Department of a Merit System public school district; conduct full evidentiary hearings, draft decisions, issue compulsory orders; approve vacancies, approve hiring lists, hold public meetings; make recommendations to the Governing Board.

National Association For Equal Justice In America/NAEJA, 11/98-present

Justice Advocate-Utilize local, state and federal laws when advocating resolution of allegations of discrimination. Research discrimination allegations; determine steps for compliance, monitor actions for compliance; facilitate public meetings, confer with civic officials, write official communications, prepare and maintain reports and files.

PREVIOUS PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

California Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation

- California Rehabilitation Center-Norco, CA - Vocational Instructor - 06/13 -- 02/14

WINTER/Women In Non-Traditional Employment Roles

- YouthBuild at Rosie the Riveter Charter High School - Construction/Academic Teacher - 06/11 – 06/12

Los Angeles Unified School District

- David Starr Jordan Senior High School - CTE/ROP Teacher - 10/06 – 06/11

Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE)

- Title I Contract Teacher - Group Home - 11/03 – 07/11
- Substitute Teacher - Probation Camp, Central Juvenile Hall - 01/06 – 09/06

Compton Unified School District

- Independent Learning Center - Continuation High School - 10/03 – 08/06
 - Compton Adult School - Teacher ABE/ESL - Iterant Sites - 10/03 – 01/06
 - Marian Anderson School - 4th Grade General Curriculum - 09/00 – 06/02
 - Exceptional Adult Center/Special Day Center - Functional Woodworking Instructor - 09/95 – 06/00
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EDUCATION

Master of Arts, Occupational Studies: California State University Long Beach

Fall 2005

Bachelor of Vocational Education: California State University Long Beach

Spring 1999

Teacher Credentials: Designated Subject/Vocational Education – Carpentry

Adult-Basic Skills

English as a Second Language

Multiple Subjects K-12

RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE

Carpenter -- Compton Unified School District, Compton, California

General Manager -- Taylor Construction Company, Los Angeles, California

FireFighter; FF/Paramedic -- County of Los Angeles Fire Department

Pipefitter -- Todd Shipyards Corporation, San Pedro, California

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

California Association of Personnel Commissioners

National Education Association

Epsilon Pi Tau

California Teachers Association

Association of Career & Technical Educators

Omicron Thau Theta

SPECIAL SKILLS

California General Contractor, B-1 No. 800965

Personnel Appeals Hearing Officer (12/13-present)

Reading Instruction Competency Assessment/RICA (2004)

Cultural Language Academic Development/CLAD (2005)

Certified M.I.C.U. Paramedic, No. 1276 (inactive)
