## **Amy Petersmarck**

## Sahuarita Unified School District No. 30



Local school boards are the core of this country's public education system. Their existence is based on the belief that electing members from the local community will ensure that public education is flexible and responsive to the needs of that community. School boards provide a vital governance function and are responsible for formulating the overall educational vision of a district's public schools, including creating and upholding policies and procedures, and overseeing administration. Members must be able to support their decisions and actions with facts and data, as well as be transparent and accountable to the public from which they serve, with the goal of providing every student a quality public education. Hello, Sahuarita Unified School District (SUSD) Community! I'm Amy Petersmarck, candidate for the SUSD Governing Board.

My husband and I have lived in this amazing community for over twenty years. We have watched this community grow and have had the pleasure of enjoying the amenities, participating in the amazing activities, and meeting so many fantastic people, who we have the privilege to call our friends. There is just no place that we would rather be! We have two sons in SUSD schools who are in eleventh and seventh grade this year. I have had the joy of being actively involved in their educational journeys, and serving others, since my oldest was in preschool. My wonderful experiences include serving as a booster club officer and member; fundraising committee chair and member; classroom coordinator; and PTO member. I have also had the privilege of serving others by being employed as a Human Resources Specialist and supervisor for the Federal government for over twenty-five years. My career as provided me with the opportunity to serve as a teacher, trainer, and mentor to others. Additionally, in order to sustain the backbone of our democracy and ensure elections are a success, I serve as an election pole worker. It is truly my passion and honor to help and serve others!

For the past five years, I have been a school board member, as well as president, of a school board in Tucson. This time has provided me with many moments of enlightenment and valuable experience for which I will be forever grateful! Now, I feel it is my duty and also the time for me to step-up, put my best foot forward, and serve our fantastic local community as best as I can, as a member of the SUSD Governing Board. A solid, quality education is so vital for our children! It is truly one of the rare things in life that can never be taken away from you. It would be an honor and a privilege to serve you, and bring what is most important to you, to our school board! For our children's tomorrow, please place your mark next to my name, Amy Petersmarck, on November 8th. Thank you so much for your consideration!