



Contra Costa County

Print Form

Please return completed applications to:
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
1025 Escobar Street, 1st Floor
Martinez, CA 94553
or email to: ClerkofTheBoard@cob.cccounty.us

BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND COMMISSIONS APPLICATION

First Name
Middle Initial
Last Name

Home Address - Street
City
State
Postal Code

Primary Phone (best number to reach you)
Email Address

Resident of Supervisorial District (if out of County, please enter N/A): [District Locator Tool](#)

Do you work in Contra Costa County? Yes No If Yes, in which District do you work?

Current Employer
Job Title
Length of Employment

How long have you lived or worked in Contra Costa County?

Board, Committee, or Commission
Seat Name

Have you ever attended a meeting of the advisory board for which you are applying?
 Please check one: Yes No If Yes, how many?

EDUCATION

Check appropriate box if you possess one of the following:

High School Diploma CA High School Proficiency Certificate G.E.D. Certificate

Colleges or Universities Attended	Degree Type/ Course of Study/Major	Degree Awarded	
California State University, East Bay	BA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
San Jose State University	MLIS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Occupational Licenses Completed:

Other Trainings Completed:

Certificate Awarded for Training?
 Yes No
 Yes No

Do you have any obligations that might affect your attendance at scheduled meetings? Yes No

If Yes, please explain:

Would you like to be considered for appointment to other advisory bodies for which you may be qualified? Yes No

Are you a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces? Yes No

Please explain why you would like to serve on this particular board, committee, or commission.

I am committed to ensuring that the needs of children and families in our County are met; that their educational settings are responsive, safe, enriched and respectful; and that their best needs are considered in decision-making processes.

Describe your qualifications for this appointment. (NOTE: you may also include a copy of your resume).

I have worked in the field of early childhood education in Contra Costa County for the last 7 years, and have been a consumer of early care in the County for the last 9 years. I am familiar with the agencies that serve children and families, and with the particular needs of children in West County

I am including my resume with this application:

Please check one: Yes No

Are you currently or have you ever been appointed to a Contra Costa County advisory board?

Please check one: Yes No

If Yes, please list the Contra Costa County advisory board(s) on which you are **currently** serving:

LPC

If Yes, please also list the Contra Costa County advisory board(s) on which you have **previously** served:

N/A

List any volunteer and community experience, including any boards on which you have served.

N/A

Do you have a familial relationship with a member of the Board of Supervisors? (Please refer to the relationships listed under the "Important Information" section on page 3 of this application or Resolution No. 2021/234).

Please check one: Yes No

If Yes, please identify the nature of the relationship:

Do you have any financial relationships with the county, such as grants, contracts, or other economic relationships?

Please check one: Yes No

If Yes, please identify the nature of the relationship:

I CERTIFY that the statements made by me in this application are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and are made in good faith. I acknowledge and understand that all information in this application is publicly accessible. I understand and agree that misstatements and/or omissions of material fact may cause forfeiture of my rights to serve on a board, committee, or commission in Contra Costa County.

Signed: Laura Rodríguez Date: 1/21/22

Submit this application to: ClerkofTheBoard@cob.cccounty.us **OR** Clerk of the Board
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Questions about this application? Contact the Clerk of the Board at (925) 655-2000 or by email at ClerkofTheBoard@cob.cccounty.us

Important Information

1. This application and any attachments you provide to it is a public document and is subject to the California Public Records Act (CA Government Code §6250-6270).
2. All members of appointed bodies are required to take the advisory body training provided by Contra Costa County.
3. Members of certain boards, commissions, and committees may be required to: 1) file a Statement of Economic Interest Form also known as a Form 700, and 2) complete the State Ethics Training Course as required by AB 1234.
4. Meetings may be held in various locations and some locations may not be accessible by public transportation.
5. Meeting dates and times are subject to change and may occur up to two (2) days per month.
6. Some boards, committees, or commissions may assign members to subcommittees or work groups which may require an additional commitment of time.
7. As indicated in Board Resolution 2021/234, a person will not be eligible for appointment if he/she is related to a Board of Supervisors' member in any of the following relationships: (1) Mother, father, son, and daughter; (2) Brother, sister, grandmother, grandfather, grandson, and granddaughter; (3) Husband, wife, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, stepson, and stepdaughter; (4) Registered domestic partner, pursuant to California Family Code section 297; (5) The relatives, as defined in 1 and 2 above, for a registered domestic partner; (6) Any person with whom a Board Member shares a financial interest as defined in the Political Reform Act (Gov't Code §87103, Financial Interest), such as a business partner or business associate.

Laura Rodriguez

EDUCATION

MA in Library and Information Science

2012

San Jose State University

Focus on children's literacy, and library services to children and Spanish-speaking populations.

BA in Ethnic Studies

2008

California State University, East Bay

Interdisciplinary degree with a focus on ethnic American literature.

EMPLOYMENT

Program Supervisor, Tandem, Partners in Early Learning

2021-present

- Procure books and materials for StoryCycles
- Training of staff, early learning professionals, childcare providers and families in areas of child development, emergent literacy, and trauma informed care.
- Strategic planning and steering, program development and direction

Early Learning Specialist (Senior level), Tandem, Partners in Early Learning

2015-2021

- Design curriculum to train professionals and families on early learning, emergent literacy, and early brain development. Provide concrete strategies for augmenting the early education of children in the classroom and other settings.
- Managing community literacy events and forging collaborative relationships with local libraries.
- Provide services to a roster of child care centers and preschool classrooms, including the provision of books and materials for StoryCycles, and training for staff and families.
- Build community partnerships that will extend Tandem's programming reach and scope.
- Member, Tandem Book Selection Committee.

Children's Librarian, San Rafael Public Library

2013-2015

- Coordinated and delivered all children's programming and other special events. Incorporated parent education into all programs while demonstrating concepts of emergent literacy attainment. Conducted all programs in bilingual format to ensure accessibility.
- Planned and implemented school outreach, preschool class visits, and worked closely with school librarians and other educators. Recommended books and materials to support classroom learning.
- Selected and purchased all books for juvenile collection. Managed collections and data.

Children's Library Associate, Solano County Library

2007-2013

- Paraprofessional position involved in all aspects of children's librarianship.
- Participated in original programming for children and families. Received 5-star reviews on Yelp.com for a bi-weekly Toddler Time program. Created the system's first Bilingual Story-time.
- "Outreach Ambassador": Received specialized training in marketing and public relations. Conducted large-scale advocacy presentations promoting library services to professional and special interest groups.
- Instructed library patrons in using the computer, electronic databases, and the Internet. Assisted to select resources, formulate queries, limit results and cite sources.