

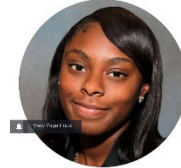
## 2025-2026 RCCD Student Trustee Elections Ballot

Below, you will find a statement and photo of the candidates for Student Trustee of the Riverside Community College District (RCCD). All eligible RCCD students are entitled to one vote, beginning at 12:00am Tuesday, May 20 until 11:59pm, Wednesday, May 21, 2025.

To vote, visit <https://forms.office.com/r/471rN3PTWg>



I am excited to announce my candidacy for Student Trustee at Riverside Community College District (RCCD). Throughout my time at RCC, I have had the honor of serving as a Senator, Pro Tempore, and Committee Chair of Outreach, while also excelling as an Honors student. These roles have provided me with a unique perspective on the challenges and opportunities within our academic community. In my capacity as a Senator and Pro Tempore, I have consistently worked to ensure that student voices are not only heard, but also prioritized in discussions with college leadership. I have led initiatives that bridge the gap between the student body and administration, fostering a culture of transparency and mutual respect. As Committee Chair of Outreach, I spearheaded projects that enhanced engagement across our diverse student population, ensuring that underrepresented groups have access to the resources and opportunities they deserve. Balancing these responsibilities while maintaining my commitment to academic excellence as an Honors student has taught me the value of effective communication, resilience, and proactive leadership. I have witnessed firsthand the transformative power of collaborative problem-solving and believe that these experiences uniquely position me to serve as your Student Trustee. If elected, my goal is to continue advocating for policies that promote inclusivity, academic support, and enhanced student



Being an advocate is something I have always done. I have also advocated for our youth, the African American Community, Women's Empowerment, Student Rights, and a better future. I have the time and resources since I have built a profile and made multiple acquaintances. I know how to be professional in these types of settings. Public speaking and communication have always come easy to me. I know I have the ability to provide whatever is needed. I also understand the process of how things work when it comes to groups such as ASBs. I have worked with multiple ASBs across the San Bernardino School District. My desire is because I know that I can handle the responsibility and workload. I know that as someone who already knows the works, I can easily please everyone and keep this class running smoothly. I am very understanding and wouldn't mind any issues that I may have to face. As someone who has been almost the only African American Female striving to represent my community and pave the road for others like me. As someone who had the ability to create a Resource Event for the Homeless and Endangered students at Cajon High School with the help of the Access to Learning for All Students(ATLAS), where I serviced almost 50 students. For years, I have held titles like the first African-Native American President of my School Site Council, the only African-Native San Bernardino City Unified School District: Board of Education- Student Board Member where we serviced 50,000. Student

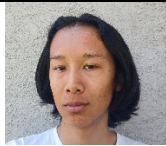
engagement across all RCC campuses. I am dedicated to working closely with students, faculty, and administration to ensure that our educational environment is dynamic, equitable, and responsive to the needs of every individual. I am deeply committed to using my experience, passion, and skills to make a meaningful impact on our college district. I ask for your support and trust as we work together to create a brighter, more inclusive future for all students at RCCD.

Thank you for considering my candidacy.

Sincerely, Gabriel Graves

Leader of the Restorative Practices in the Student Leadership Advisory Council. Participant in ICUC: Students for Change and much more. Currently, I am the Inter-Club Council representative for two clubs, 2024 Swan's Debutante, Targeted Student Achievement & Equity Intern, and Participant in Ethnic Studies Club. Positive Youth Development: Youth Court Volunteer. Congregation Organized for Prophetic Youth Participant, NAACP Participant in the Youth and College division, Mentee in the Big Brother Big Sister Program, etc. After all this, I have grown and gained many new skills. I now appreciate sleep a lot more. I always have a listening ear; I try to do my best when it comes to providing support for others. I have a lot of patience and grace. I am now more trauma-sensitive, and I am also trained to be a mediator. I have always held leadership positions, so I trust myself to do my best and to do better for others.

Thank you!



Hi, my name is Leo Wen, I am a student at Norco College running for RCCD Student Trustee. I am 15 years old, but I have big ambitions, I want more accountability from the District, and have them fix issues that have been severely ignored by over the years. Some of my goals are: ① Add securities to the RCC parking lot (this has been a big issue unsolved for a while) ② Push for more online classes, especially in math and physics (most districts have online math & physics classes, but RCCD does not) ③ Transparency over where the money received from ballot measure CC is going ★ I will also work hard as Student Trustee to have **your voices** heard in the meetings with the trustee, because that is what Student Trustee is about. Representing the student population. I hope to cooperate closely with the associated student bodies of ASNC, ASMVC, and ASRCC.



My name is Hannah Mendez, a student at Moreno Valley College. I am pursuing a career in Social Work and hope to be a voice for people who need to be heard and need change in their world and the society around them. As a student here in Riverside County, I see students who crave change within their campuses, in their classrooms, and those expressing concerns and presenting brilliant ideas that need to be brought to light. I as student trustee will ensure that the student's voices, big or small, are projected and count towards making a difference. That no person with an idea or hope for their campus is left silenced. I want to be the voice for students and if given the opportunity, with all my efforts, I will hope to bring support backing the thousands of minds on our campus communities. I will advocate for diversity, health, and the future of us as students. A few of my main targets for change is to bring more support to our mental health branches on campus and hopes of making them more accessible. A second point on my list is to have more

	<p>school events to bring our college communities together in times where it feels like the world is so divided or that the weight of everything going on isn't so heavy. I'm sure many of you feel the dark times our country and the global state of things can be too much at times, that's why supporting each other through community is crucial. I hope to be given the opportunity to be your Student Trustee so that WE can make a change and build together.</p>
<div data-bbox="337 516 565 724" data-label="Image"> </div> <p><b>Empowering Student Voices: A Commitment to Advocacy and Change</b> Hello everyone, my name is Kim Nguyen Shaw. As a non-traditional student who transferred from another state, I bring a diverse perspective to the table. Over the years, I've had the privilege of serving in various leadership roles, including: President of Alpha Gamma Sigma Honors Club for two years President of the Law Society/BLT ICC Representative and Vice President of the FTV Club Member of Kappa Beta Delta (Business Honors) Honors Program Active participation in clubs such as the Sustainability Student Collective, Cybersecurity Club, Women in Cybersecurity, Red Cross Club, Student Parent Club, and Students Orchestrating Change Additionally, I served as a senator in the Associated Student Government for three years, holding positions as Delegate for Region IX, Treasurer, and Legislative Affairs Director. These experiences have honed my leadership skills and deepened my commitment to serving students.</p> <p>In my role as a College Corps Ambassador, I actively engage with students and the community, striving to make a positive impact in the areas of food insecurity, sustainability, and mentoring students. Advocating for All Students As a student trustee, my foremost responsibility is to represent the diverse voices of all students across our three campuses. I am dedicated to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Engaging with students through surveys, forums, and informal conversations to understand their concerns and priorities.</li> <li>Fostering open and transparent communication between the board and students.</li> <li>Advocating for policies that address critical issues such as affordability, mental health, and inclusivity.</li> </ul> <p>By connecting with various student organizations, I aim to</p>	<div data-bbox="1084 516 1250 701" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>Hello I'm Jessica! I am a first-year student at RCC and I am currently majoring in political science. The student trustee role is heavily based on communication because they serve as a bridge between the RCCD chancellor and ASRCC. I believe I would be the perfect fit for this role as I have served in many similar roles before. Currently, I just finished my term as Assistant Director for IMUNA, which runs the largest high school MUN conference in the nation. I have been heavily involved in MUN during my high school years as well, serving as president of the club my senior year. Those two leadership roles have taught me how to communicate and problem solve effectively. I am an organized, savvy candidate who will bridge the gap between ASRCC and the district efficiently. As your student trustee, any updates that RCCD passes onto me will be communicated rapidly. Any needs that ASRCC and the rest of the student body requests will be made readily available for the RCC district and chancellor to address. I promise to be a swift line of communication for the student body, allowing concerns and new developments to be resolved quicker. Voting for me means voting for student success.</p>

ensure that every student's voice is heard and considered in decision-making processes. Collaborative Leadership for Lasting Change I believe in the power of collaboration to effect meaningful change. As student trustee, I will:

Work closely with faculty, staff, administration, and fellow trustees to develop policies that benefit the student body.

Review and assess policies to ensure they positively impact students

Serve as a mediator between students and administration to find mutually beneficial solutions

Develop clear messaging to outline student concerns and proposed solutions

Participate in legislative advocacy to support student-centered policies

Through these efforts, I aim to create an environment where students feel supported, valued, and empowered to achieve their goals.

Commitment to Continuous Improvement I am committed to continuous learning and growth to better serve students. This includes:

Staying informed about institutional governance and policies

Attending conferences and networking with student leaders

Advocating for the implementation of new bills that support students and striving for their approval at the California Senate

My dedication to these responsibilities reflects my unwavering commitment to advocating for students and ensuring their concerns are addressed.

A Call to Action Serving as student trustee is an honor and a responsibility I do not take lightly. I am committed to implementing and advocating for policies that prioritize students' needs because every student matters. Together, we can create a more inclusive, supportive, and empowering environment for all.