

Lenetta Shull (Incumbent)

I am Lenetta Shull, a candidate for the Board of Directors in the Dolores Re-4A School District. My family has lived in Dolores for three generations and they have all graduated from Dolores and now the fourth generation is continuing the tradition. My husband and I have 4 grown children and 5 grandchildren. My family has prospered from ranching and farming, silver and gold mining, the railroad, my Dad was a mechanic in town, my mom taught school, and my brother worked for Empire Electric. My background includes early childhood education I worked at Butler Head Start and Teddy Bear Preschool. Then I changed careers moving into the medical field working for Cortez Medical and Dr. Fury, then working for Dr. Cain for a total of about 20 years. Now I work for Summit Wood Design. So my career has been very diverse through early nurturing to caring for families from pediatric to geriatric and finally helping people with their final journey.

I have over 40 years of volunteer service, including but not limited to The Dolores School District, 4-H, FFA, Boy Scouts, Fair Board, Dolores All School Reunion, Rotary and currently serving on the Dolores School Board since October of 2018. As a Board member I have and will strive for academic excellence and social emotional well being so there will be more successful and contributing generations to come. Academic excellence does not just mean high test scores, scores are just one tool in our toolbox of many. It is not that our students choose a pathway; it is the fact that we have given them the tools to choose a pathway or multiple pathways with meaning and purpose.

If elected, I would encourage: (1) Engagement through community outreach; (2) Accountability; (3) Transparency; (4) Fiscal Health and responsibility; (5) Long term planning through Strategic planning; (6) Retention and Recruitment Planning, for staff and students, which will enhance skills and improve outcomes. I am well versed in group settings, by finding common ground through negotiation and developing a goal set which benefits all parties involved. I am confident that I have the skills and experience to hold the position of Board Director (member).

Moreover, my extensive knowledge of school policies and the Colorado Revised Statues would be highly valuable for the core business of the school. My ability and dedication to research and investigate all policies and/or programs would ensure each programs' success. I am resourceful and with the added attribute of multi-tasking which enables me to perform tasks in a timely fashion, while still maintaining a high level of efficiency and confidentiality.

I am committed to public service and I want to serve my community as a school Board member. School Boards have a profound effect on the future of our community more than any other volunteer citizen service. School Boards have the ability to shape our next community or national leaders. I believe that schools are the backbone of the community and directly impact our future. A successful school benefits the entire community. I am deeply rooted here and vested in our community now and for many generations to come. Dolores is truly my home and sanctuary.