

2026 Official Candidate Statement City & Borough of Juneau, Alaska

David Noon

Candidate: Board of Education



Name as it appears on the ballot:	David Noon
Office sought:	Board of Education
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Age:	56
Occupation:	Professor, University of Alaska Southeast
Children:	Audrey (20), Orrin (17)
Place of birth:	Los Angeles
Length of residency in Juneau:	24 years
Communities lived in:	Downtown Juneau, 2002-present
Education:	Northside HS (Roanoke, VA) 1985-88 James Madison U, 1988-92 (BA. English/History) U. of Minnesota, 1993-2001 (PhD, American Studies)
Professional positions:	Professor of History, UAS (2002-present)
Service organization memberships:	VP, Friends of the City Museum (2019-present) Mudrooms Storyboard (2019-present) Harborview Site Council (2011-2013)

Biographical information:

I grew up in Roanoke, Virginia, and attended college at James Madison University in Harrisonburg, where I earned a B.A. in 1992 with a double major in English and History. After completing a doctorate in American

Studies at the University of Minnesota, I was fortunate to be hired at UAS to teach US History in 2002. Juneau has been my home ever since. I have enjoyed the most long-lasting and important friendships of my life here; my children were born and raised by two educators in this loving and supportive community; and I expect to spend my remaining years hiking/running Juneau's trails, learning from my students, and tending to the complicated needs of the felines with whom my kids and I continue to surround ourselves.

Position statement:

My term on the School Board has been challenging to say the least. The district endured a financial crisis as well as consolidation and reorganization; faced threats to local contributions by the Dunleavy administration; and struggled with other districts throughout the state to secure more (and yet still inadequate) funding for our schools. As well, we successfully concluded three collective bargaining agreements with teachers, staff, and administrators after long and difficult negotiations. The learning curve for new board members is steep, but after three years, I believe I have executed my responsibilities with care and fidelity. With significant turnover in district administration this year, I have a strong interest in being a part of the transitions this district will experience over the next few years.

If offered another term, I will continue to prioritize our front-line resources above all else; this means doing everything we can to preserve vital teaching and staff positions, reduce class sizes, and foster an atmosphere in which our educators are supported and equipped to do their jobs. Juneau's students deserve an education that is rich and inclusive, and their parents and caregivers deserve to know that the Board will do its part to assure their children are offered every opportunity to thrive in a culture that is fair and equitable - and where their schools have the resources to help them succeed.