Erica Whitfield, District 4
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Erica Whitfield has always wanted to make a difference in peoples' lives, especially the lives of children. In 2014, she ran for a seat on the School Board in order to better serve her community and all the children of Palm Beach County. In November of 2014, she was elected to the Palm Beach County School Board for District 4.

Ms. Whitfield is a native Floridian with a passion for the community, and the health, achievement, and success of children. She attended the University of Florida where she received a Bachelor of Health Science degree. She went on to earn a Master of Public Health degree from Emory University.

Prior to her service on the School Board, Ms. Whitfield worked at the Palm Beach County Health Department, where she focused on chronic disease education and community partnerships. Ms. Whitfield continued her career at the School District of Palm Beach County serving as the project coordinator for the Robert Wood Johnson, "Healthy Kids, Healthy Communities" grant and a wellness coordinator for the School Food Service department. She worked to bring about policy and environmental changes to make our students healthier.

Since becoming a School Board member, Ms. Whitfield has championed public health issues. She worked to implement the first policy requiring Hands-Only CPR to be taught to every student before graduation. For the past several years, she has served as the Chair of the United Way's Childhood Hunger Action Committee – Childhood Subcommittee and implemented Backpack and Food Pantry programs throughout the District, bringing in many community partners. She is championing improved academic success at private early learning centers in Lake Worth and Delray Beach through Community Collaborative sponsored by the Early Learning Coalition. She is building connections between the principals and the City Commission in Lake Worth through the Education Advisory Board and at City Commission meetings. She serves on the American Heart Association Palm Beach County Market Board, the PBC Homeless Advisory Board, the Early Learning Coalition, the Greater Florida Consortium of School Boards, Pine Jog Board of Directors and is a member of Leadership Florida, Leadership Palm Beach County and the Forum Club of the Palm Beaches. Ms. Whitfield lives in Lake Worth Beach with her husband and two children, one of whom is a current student in our schools and a younger child who is a future student.

Schools in Board District #: 4

- Alexander W. Dreyfoos Jr. School of the Arts
- Banyan Creek Elementary
- Boynton Beach Community High
- Carver Community Middle
- Citrus Cove Elementary
- Congress Middle
- Crosspointe Elementary
- Freedom Shores Elementary
- Highland Elementary
- Intensive Transition South
- Lake Worth Community High
- Lake Worth Middle
- North Grade K-8
- Orchard View Elementary
- Palm Beach Public
- Royal Palm School
- Santaluces Community High
- South Olive Elementary
- Starlight Cove Elementary
- West Boynton Middle School

