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## **Governor Gregoire Appoints Issaquah's Connie Fletcher to the Washington State Board of Education**

Olympia, WA – Governor Gregoire has appointed Connie Fletcher (Issaquah) to fill a vacant seat on the Washington State Board of Education.

Ms. Fletcher previously served on the Board from 2009 through 2011 as a representative of the Washington State School Directors' Association.

Though her term has expired as an elected member, Governor Gregoire has requested Ms. Fletcher to join the Board once again as one of her appointees, filling a vacant seat left by past Board member Eric Liu.

Ms. Fletcher's educational leadership experience includes 16 years with the Issaquah School District and three years as president and officer of the Washington State School Directors' Association.

Ms. Fletcher will serve on the Board for a four-year term.

For more information visit: [www.sbe.wa.gov](http://www.sbe.wa.gov) .

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