



*"Castro Valley teachers are thrilled to endorse Monica Lee, Tojo Thomas and Lavender Whitaker, who support the best interests of our students."*

*- Roger Kim, Castro Valley Teachers Association president*



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*"There are few things we can give our children more important than a great education. This will let them make their dreams come true." – Monica Lee*

Monica Lee works as a broker liaison for an intellectual property law firm and is a member of the California, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts bars. She holds a doctorate in law and a bachelor's degree in business administration from UC Berkeley. Monica is the mother of two sons raised in Castro Valley schools. She served as president of the Jensen Ranch PTA, on the school site councils for Jensen Ranch and Creekside and on the Superintendent's Parent Leadership Group.

*"Education and public service are the top priorities for me. I promise to work tirelessly to improve the educational standards for our children." – Tojo Thomas*



Tojo Thomas, deputy probation officer and father of three, earned a bachelor's degree in criminal justice and a master's degree in counseling psychology. He serves on the executive board of Independent Elementary School's PTA. Tojo served on the board of directors for the Saint Thomas Catholic Church in Milpitas for two years. He volunteers his time for charities including Avon 39 The Walk to End Breast Cancer and the Malayalee Association of Northern California.



*"I want to give something back and to continue what my late husband wanted to accomplish by bringing the community together." – Lavender Whitaker*

Lavender Whitaker assisted her late husband Nick Whitaker at CVHS leadership events and volunteered at school dances during her five years in Castro Valley. Her daughter Kylie is a freshman at CVHS. Lavender earned a bachelor's degree from UC Davis in environmental policy. She has worked in the utility and environmental sectors for 12 years. Currently she is an environmental supervisor at PG&E. Lavender is also an MBA candidate at UC Davis focusing on organizational development.