

I generally do not support recalls, particularly when an election is approaching, because they can be costly and divisive. At the same time, I strongly support voters' democratic right to organize, petition their government, and hold elected officials accountable.

I was not an SFUSD parent during the pandemic or the events that led up to the recall. During the pandemic, I was a senior leader at Wu Yee Children's Services, where my focus was responding to the immediate needs of children, families, and frontline workers.

As frontline workers ourselves, we kept child care open for essential workers and provided families with basic necessities, including food and early learning kits. My focus was on helping families get through an unprecedented crisis and ensuring young children could continue learning and receiving care.

I understand the deep frustration that led families and community members to organize the recall. My focus today is on what we learned from that period: the importance of listening to families and educators, transparent decision-making, strong governance, and rebuilding trust in our public schools.