



## MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN EDUCATION... FOR OUR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS.

### KIRA'S EFFORTS HELPED:

- . Increase the percentage of African Americans graduating and earning TOPS
- . Decrease the number of suspensions and expulsions
- . Secure a pay raise for teachers and more funding for schools
- . Establish a process for local input from educators, parents and community to set High Louisiana Based Academic Standards
- . Expand access to quality child care and pre-K
- . Increase opportunities for quality career and technical training

**Kira understands the challenges our children face and knows what it takes to overcome them. She has served us well on BESE and deserves our vote and support for re-election.**

*“I know the challenges and heartbreaking statistics for students—especially those of color—trying to compete on an educational playing field that is not level. For our children and our society, we must provide an opportunity for an excellent education to every child. That has been and will continue to be my life’s mission.”*

**KIRA ORANGE**  
**JONES**  
**BESE District 2**



As someone who experienced how education can change lives—from an inner city school to *TIME* magazine’s list of the 100 most influential people, Kira Orange-Jones knows first hand how education can change a child’s future. That is why she first became a teacher and now works so hard on BESE for Teachers, Schools and Students.



Kira is focused on increasing achievement for all our students. She knows they must all have the resources they need to succeed and the job is not done yet. *That is why we need to keep her on BESE.*

# KIRA ORANGE JONES BESE District 2

#### PUBLIC SERVICE:

- **District 2 BESE Member**—Elected in 2011 to represent 400,000 Louisiana residents across 8 parishes.
- **New Orleans Recreation and Development Commission**—District B Representative, (NORDC), Commission responsible for crafting and implementing the vision, direction, and strategy of the city’s largest department, serving 300,000 New Orleans residents and 70,000 children.

#### EXPERIENCE:

- **Executive Director of Teach For America**—New Orleans Region—has supervised over 1000 teachers and a \$10 million budget.
- **Vice President, New Site Development**—Responsible for 10 states million.
- **Fourth Grade Teacher**—Taught in low-performing school in Baton Rouge.

#### EDUCATION:

- **Wesleyan University**—degree in political theory and film study
- **Harvard University**—masters degree in education in school leadership

#### HONORS:

- **Time Magazine Top 100, 2015**—One of one-hundred most influential people in the world.
- **New Orleans Alliance for Diversity and Excellence, Innovator Award, 2014**—Recognized for civic leadership and outstanding service to schools
- **Annual Women Worth Watching Award, Diversity Journal, 2013**—Award celebrating the achievements and personalities of leading women executives.
- **Aspen Institute Education Entrepreneurship Fellowship, 2010; Aspen Moderator, 2013**—One of twenty-four education entrepreneurs selected through national nomination process.
- **Teach For America, Peter Jennings Alumni Excellence Winner, 2012**—Selected from over 50,000, that exemplify leadership, and unprecedented results in the field of education.
- **Young Leadership Council Role Model Award, 2010**—One of thirty New Orleans leaders honored for exemplary community service and leadership.
- **New Orleans City Business Women of the Year Awards, 2009**—One of thirty New Orleans women selected for outstanding leadership.

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**You can vote  
early now.**

**Early Voting  
runs from  
Oct. 10th to  
Oct 17th.**

**Election day  
is Saturday,  
Oct. 24th.**

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