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## SHELLY GUPTON DISTRICT E

Shelly Gupton has had a passion and appreciation of teaching from a very early age; "I have always wanted to be a teacher. I had a love for my 3rd grade teacher, Ms. Nichols, who made me feel special. So after five years in private industry, I went back to school to receive my teaching credential." Gupton has spent the last quarter century advocating for students and public schools. She will make a strong addition to the CTA Governing Board.

Educated in the East Bay area, Gupton attended Diablo Valley College for her Associate in Arts degree then U.C. Berkeley for her undergraduate degree. She has also attended Sacramento State, Saint Mary's, and Contra Costa College.

Gupton's experience includes five years of teaching in Richmond and two years in the Pittsburg school district. She is a current member of the Elk Grove Educators Association (EGEA), where her leadership skills have benefitted her local as she's served six years on the executive board, and three terms as CTA State Council Representative. Her local advocacy was the motivation behind the creation of EGEA's Equity Committee - developed to address ongoing issues of inequality.

Those same passions drew Gupton to involvement at the state level, where she served on CTA's

Diversity Advisory Panel for three years and represented large locals as secretary on the Capital Service Steering Committee for four years as well as on the Representation Committee for two years.

Gupton is also a master educator, whose expertise was tapped by CTA for the first generation of Instructional Leadership Corps. (ILC) and are tasked with providing professional development through educational trainings and presentations for members.





