

David L. Crandall

Dave Crandall was elected to the State Board of Education in 2008 and currently serves on the instruction, support and technology standing committee and as vice-chair of the charter school standing committee. He also served on the selection committee to recruit and hire a new Superintendent of Public Instruction in 2009. Since 2010, he has represented the State Board of Education as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Utah College of Applied Technology (UCAT). He also represented Utah on the National Association of State Boards of Education's working group in analyzing the structure of schools (time, technology and facilities) in 2010.

Since its inaugural 2004-05 school year, he has served as a member of the governing board of Summit Academy, a charter school in Draper. He currently serves as the chairman of the board and as chair oversaw the successful expansion of the school to include a junior high in 2007. In that capacity, he was responsible for leading the team through each aspect of the process including creating the charter application, financing, construction, contract negotiation and land acquisition. He has also worked with the other board members and the educational professionals at the school in implementing several successful programs at Summit. These include a merit-based advancement structure for teachers, instructors and administrators, small group instruction for the critical subjects of math and language arts, participation in the state's pilot program for computer adaptive testing and encouraging parental involvement in education at home with reading and homework. He was also instrumental in the founding and startup of Summit Academy High School in 2010 and obtaining financing for their new facility in Bluffdale the following year.

Professionally, Dave has worked in the software industry in Utah for the past twenty years and is currently employed as a consultant and project manager with Spring2 Technologies in Sandy. Spring2 is a software consulting company specializing in financial systems, custom software development and system integration for mid-tier and emerging companies. At Spring2, he has managed several large software projects including the design and implementation of the system to support the management of the Utah Educational Savings Plan, Utah's popular 529 plan for college savings. Prior to joining Spring2 in 2000, he worked for the Clark Foundation on their Discover Science project where he became very familiar with Utah's core science curriculum.

While his father served in the US Air Force, Dave had the opportunity of attending elementary and secondary school in three different states before graduating from Ben Eielson High School at Eielson AFB, Alaska. He moved to Utah in the fall of 1986 to earn Bachelor and Master of Science degrees in mechanical engineering from the University of Utah.

He currently lives in Draper with his wife Tracy and their three children.

