

2020-2021 Board Nominees



Candidate Name: Marianne Grant
Nominated Position: Vice President

I moved into the Millburn district this past summer (2020) after my husband and I did a lot of research into where we wanted our only child to attend school. My husband, Brenton, and I have 1 daughter who is in Kindergarten, in school as of this biography. I currently work part time at Fremont Public Library in their circulation department.

My daughter attended AAUW preschool in Waukegan and I knew right away that I wanted to be involved with her school and board. I joined the school board there and held the position of Chairman of the school carnival as well as a hands-on role in capital development, working towards funding our Outdoor Learning Environment. In this specific role we ventured out to Farmer's Markets, held dinners, auctions, and more to help fund and create the Outdoor Learning Environment.

I am a very organized and hardworking individual who would love to help the Millburn School District. I enjoyed working on the school board at AAUW and hope to lend a hand in helping this wonderful school district as well. I am the type of person who enjoys diving into any given situation; whether it be coming up with solutions to problems, lending and hearing creative ideas, lending a helping hand whenever possible, or simply lending a listening ear.

Candidate Name: Open
Nominated Position: Secretary

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Candidate Name: Heather Johnson
Nominated Position: Community Fundraising Director

I moved into the Millburn district 5 years ago. My husband and I have 2 children. Our oldest child is in second grade and our youngest is 2.5 years old. We are excited to have our children at Millburn in such a caring and hard working environment where they can learn and grow. I have been working in the field of education for 15 years in Lake Villa School District 41. For 8 of these 15 years, I taught in a 6th grade self-contained classroom at Thompson School. I then transitioned into the role of Instructional Coach where I work with staff and students in all four of my district's schools. In this role, I provide professional development and have led small and large groups of people on various committees and leadership groups within the education setting in my school district. Some of these include writing English/Language Arts curriculum, leadership on the district's Technology Committee, organizing and directing a drama program for 5th and 6th grade students, and pioneering our district's 1-1 computing initiative (piloting in the classroom, leading professional development, training staff, and working with students on their devices). In all of these leadership roles, I work with a variety of people, manage multiple deadlines, and effectively communicate with all stakeholders for each project or initiative.

This is my third year with a child at Millburn School. For the past year, I have served as the Millburn EPIC Community Fundraising Director and volunteered for EPIC events. I volunteered for last year's classroom Halloween Party, Donuts for Dads, and Fall Kids Resale. I would like to continue to play an active and impactful role in the fundraising events offered in support of the district. I am passionate about organizing and supporting fundraising initiatives offered for the school district to continue providing quality educational and social experiences for my children, the district's families, and our community.

I care greatly about Millburn and my children's experiences here. It is important for me to be involved in my children's school and district. I am organized, ambitious, creative, and am excited for the opportunity to continue to work with the families and community on events and activities to raise money for the district. Thank you for considering me for Community Fundraising Director for EPIC!

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Candidate Name: Carrie Romig
Nominated Position: MMS Activities Director

My name is Carrie Romig and I am very excited to be considered for the EPIC Middle School Activities Director.

Originally from Washington state, my husband and I could not be more thrilled to be a part of the Millburn Community and have enjoyed watching our three children thrive and gain confidence as they've been encouraged to try activities outside of their comfort zone.

My daughter Charlotte is in 7th grade at MMS and my youngest daughter Savannah is in 4th grade at MES. Our three year old son Ryker spends his days jumping on the trampoline, and creating masterpieces on the walls of his sisters' rooms.

Prior to becoming a Stay-at-home-Mom, I earned my MBA from the University of Oregon and found my professional passion as a Product Marketing Manager working overseas for consumer products. I possess strong communication skills, both written and verbal, and am a creative, loyal, team player. I have a reliable track record as a volunteer, fundraiser, chaperone, and truly enjoy helping the youth in D24 realize their talents and become their best selves.

I strongly believe that an organization such as EPIC is only as good as the dedication, collaboration, and teamwork of the volunteers involved. You can count on me to work diligently and do whatever it takes to make EPIC a model of success.

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Candidate Name: Sarah Rosten
Nominated Position: MES Activities Director

I moved to the Millburn District in 2000 and my husband and I have a daughter in the 4th grade. I have enjoyed being an active part of the community, by volunteering in her classes, collaborating on the team that merged PTO and the Foundation to what's now EPIC, chairing Spirit Wear and Family Fun Night, and holding the position of MES Activity Director on the EPIC board.

As a business owner in Lake County, we have given back with free developmental screenings for children, parent and professional workshops, and continue to provide families with resources on how to help their child at home with speech/language development.

I appreciate the trust from the community as I was elected to serve on the inaugural EPIC board and navigating the changes that occurred due to the pandemic. We came together as a team and I would like to continue serving in this capacity as MES Activity Director for the next 2 years. I enjoy being a familiar face around the school with staff and parents and bringing everyone together in fun activities they can enjoy with their families. Our activities allow families to get to know new people and get more involved in our community.