

# J.R. Masterman School Advisory Council Ballot

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PLEASE VOTE FOR **UP TO 3 CANDIDATES**, AND RETURN IN A SEALED ENVELOPE TO SCHOOL WITH YOUR STUDENT'S NAME AND SECTION PRINTED ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE ENVELOPE.

**PLEASE RETURN BY WEDNESDAY, MAY 8th.**

## **Andrea Appel**

In September 2013, I will be a new Masterman Middle School parent. I graduated from the Philadelphia public school system and have served on the Home and School Association for my daughter's Philadelphia public K-8 school. I am a full-time litigating attorney for the Federal Government and I own my own small business. I believe that my experience provides me with a focused and effective voice to lend on issues importance to the Masterman community. Especially in our current atmosphere of financial constraints and transition, I would like to support Masterman by serving on the School Advisory Council.

## **Yvonne Lee Clayton**

I would like to run for a position on the SAC. I have two children at Masterman (Timothy Clayton in 7th Grade, and Emma Clayton starting 5th Grade in 2013-14), and would like to help support the school in these challenging times. I enjoy people and learning about organizations. I could contribute organizational, analytical and collaborative skills gained during 20 years in private practice as a real estate lawyer--serving on many committees, including the Board of Directors of a law firm--and volunteering in my community on the Logan Square Neighborhood-Parkway Plan and on the Board of the Parkway Council Foundation. Thank you for your consideration.

## **Marylou Finch**

I am in my 10th year as a Masterman parent, having one child who attended middle school from 2000-2005, and my second child is now a sophomore. For the past year and a half, I have been attending the SAC meetings regularly. I also attend HSA meetings and other school community events. As a middle school teacher at a charter school in West Philadelphia, I have had much exposure to education and its issues.

## **Sam Garst**

I have served on the SAC as co-chair for three years, in addition working with the HSA to publish the Masterman directory. The Masterman community will be grappling with some important issues in the next few years, including an evolving budget crisis, the selection of a new principal and completing a lengthy accreditation process. The SAC plays an important role in addressing these issues, providing a forum for teachers, parents, staff and students to participate in the management of our school. I'd very much like to continue to support the SAC, and Masterman.

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## **Tara Hayden**

My two children both attended Masterman Middle School and one is presently enrolled in the ninth grade in the High School. Throughout their educational experiences, I have served as the Vice President of the Academy at Palumbo Home and School Association (2007-2010), the Vice President of the Wyncote Elementary School and as a member of both the Cheltenham School District United Parent Group and the District's Strategic Planning Committee. These experiences and my other board experiences will facilitate my contributions and service to the Masterman Student Advisory Council. If selected I will be a committed and active member.

## **Bridget McFadden**

I am the parent of Julian Roessler 11-3, and Eliza Roessler 8-1. I am interested in being on SAC because I am an educator. I am a Counselor and teacher at Community College of Philadelphia. I volunteer for the Family Dinners and Faculty Appreciation Luncheons. I chaperone many class trips. I also helped organize the celebration of the Blue Ribbon Honor our school received in 2011. I served as treasurer of the HSA and was on the SAC at Bache Martin Elementary for 7 years. I want to offer my expertise because of my appreciation of the opportunities my children receive at Masterman.

## **Yvonne Michael**

My name is Yvonne Michael. I am the mother of a 6<sup>th</sup> grader at Masterman MS and a 4<sup>th</sup> grader at Penn Alexander ES. My husband is a glass artist. I am a professor of epidemiology at Drexel University School of Public Health. In my research, I study the role of policy and environment on health. I want to serve on the J.R. Masterman School Advisory Council (SAC) for two primary reasons: (1) I enjoy the positive energy of the Masterman students, parents, teachers, and staff, and (2) I want to promote healthy school policies.

## **Meg Wise**

My daughter Chloe Yanoviak is in 7-2 and my son Jake graduated from the high school in 2012. I am running for School Advisory Council because I want to contribute my skills and experience to help preserve our school during a challenging time. I was very involved at the Samuel Powel Elementary School when my kids were students there (1999-2010), first on its School Advisory Council and then as an officer of its Home and School Association. As the executive director of a local nonprofit organization, I bring hands-on experience in strategic and program planning, financial management, and working creatively to maximize resources.