

J.R. Masterman School Advisory Council - Parent Representative Election

Please vote for up to 3 candidates, and return in a sealed envelop to school.

PLEASE RETURN BY MONDAY, June 2nd.

The School Advisory Council meets monthly to help plan budgets, school action plans, policies and other operational issues. The council includes representatives from the faculty, staff, parents and student government. All meetings are open to the public. To learn more: <http://www.mastermanhsa.org/SAC>

_____ Julie Beamon

My name is Julie Beamon and I am the parent of a Masterman 6th grader. I have worked in public education at many levels, as a teacher, data coordinator, and currently work for Philadelphia's Early Intervention program (special education for preschoolers). As a member of the School Advisory Council, I look forward to working collaboratively to ensure that Masterman maintains its ability to provide a world class education to its students. I am particularly interested in issues surrounding diversity, teacher resources and supportive services available to students with special needs. Our family resides in the Mount Airy section of Philadelphia.

_____ Yvonne Lee Clayton

I would like to help Masterman during this challenging period. I could bring to the SAC analytical, organizational and management skills gained during twenty years of private practice as an attorney, as well as on the boards of a non-profit and law firm. I am the parent of a 2014-15 6th grader and high school freshman. I have been regularly attending the SAC meetings this year as a parent alternate and would like to continue to contribute to the SAC. Thank you for your consideration.

_____ Anndee Hochman

These are tumultuous times for public schools in Philadelphia. With a new principal on her or his way, and with the ongoing budget crisis, Masterman's School Advisory Council can be a steadying anchor in the storm, a group that provides continuity and persists in asking the tough questions about curriculum, priorities and what it means to educate students for the 21st century. After two years as a non-voting member of the SAC, I'm eager to step up to voting-member status, bringing my inclusive spirit, can-do attitude and belief in collaboration (along with my skills as a writer and teacher) to the hard work of making a great school even better.

_____ Alison McDowell

I have a daughter in seventh grade. I served as president of the Meredith HSA from 2008-2010 and was a representative on the SAC there. I am a member of the Alliance for Philadelphia Public Schools. We research how SRC policy decisions relate to the national movement towards privatizing public education. I regularly testify before the SRC on equity in funding and related issues. I have also formed a committee within APPS to examine high-stakes standardized testing and the negative impact it is having on Philadelphia's children, teachers, and schools. If chosen, I would be honored to serve.

_____ Leslie Tyler

Leslie Tyler is a staunch supporter of public education and has the experience and passion to serve. She has worked on the SAC's at both Nebinger & Meredith Elementary Schools, and helped make budget decisions benefiting both students and staff. She's participated in interviews of principals and teachers bringing both parent and community perspectives to all evaluations. Her background as a television news hiring manager taught her how to scout top talent, the importance of diversity, and the paramountcy of confidentiality. Leslie Tyler will represent YOUR interests and work to keep Masterman the #1 school in the state of Pennsylvania!

_____ Matthew Whitehorn

I have been a parent member of the SAC for the past 2 years. During this time, I've tried to attend all the scheduled meetings and focused on the funding crisis, keeping Masterman operating at a high level and acting as a liaison with the HSA to promote fundraising. I have also been a member of the Middle States Accreditation Committee and learned much about innovative education programs that can benefit students. With our son a rising senior, I welcome the opportunity to continue serving on the SAC especially with the transition to a new principal and the continuing budget crisis.