

SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATE BACKGROUND

Note: This information will be released to media personnel and the general public.

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Children in the District: ① Chloe entering 12th grade at East High School, ② Parker entering 10th grade at East High School, ③ Mason 4 years old.	
Background: I grew up in Mapleton, MN and graduated ^{from} Maple River High School in 1994. I graduated ^{from} Gustavus Adolphus College with an Accounting degree in 1998. I worked at a Public Accounting Firm after graduating college, then was a financial advisor for approximately 17 years, and currently am a commercial insurance agent in Manhato. I have served as President & Treasurer of various non-profit boards.	
Reasons for wanting to be on the Board: I was appointed to the ISD 77 school board on July 18, 2022. I will have my first official meeting in mid-August. I have 3 children and am passionate about education. Manhato is a growing community yet we've lost students over the past couple of years. We need to reverse that trend so our schools match the community's growth with our district's enrollment numbers. We need to encourage a safe learning environment	
Additional Comments: so that parents, teachers, & students all thrive. We also need to form better connections between our district & the business community. When our students succeed, our businesses succeed, and the entire community wins. I believe that I have the skills to make this happen and have demonstrated those skills with the community organizations I have served in the past.	