VOICES FOR LAKE WORTH BEACH SCHOOLS

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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QUESTIONNAIRE

ARE YOU A RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH?	Yes
FOR HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A RESIDENT?	We bought our home in May 2017.
DO YOU HAVE A STUDENT (OR ARE YOU A STUDENT) ATTENDING A LAKE WORTH BEACH SCHOOL?	No
DO YOU WORK FOR/OWN A BUSINESS/NON-PROFIT WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH?	No
PLEASE NAME YOUR BUSINESS(ES).	
ARE YOU CURRENTLY A MEMBER OF A CITY COMMISSION/BOARD/CIVIC GROUP?	Yes
IF SO, PLEASE LIST THE GROUPS.	Library Advisory Board
DO YOU CURRENTLY WORK FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PALM BEACH COUNTY OR ANY OF THE SCHOOLS IN LAKE WORTH BEACH?	No
IN WHAT CAPACITY?	
BRIEFLY STATE THE REASONS WHY YOU FEEL YOUR APPOINTMENT TO THIS COMMISSION/BOARD WILL BENEFIT THE SCHOOLS IN THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH. (150 WORDS OR LESS)	I have a Master's in Secondary Science Education - Chemistry, and was a high school chemistry teacher for 10 years. I now work for a nonprofit and create resources for K-college chemistry classrooms, and I work closely with practicing teachers in every level of schools. Education is a passion of mine, and I believe all students have the ability to learn. Science, specifically, is overlooked in the younger years, and I have many innovative ways to help support teachers of younger students that makes teaching science fun and less daunting than they would think. Literacy is an important skill, and science has many cool real-life applications, so I am a firm believer in teaching them together. I also have a 2.5 year old who will make his way into the Palm Beach Public Schools in a few years, so that's another reason I'm passionate about supporting local schools!

WHAT EXPERIENCE DO YOU HAVE WITH SCHOOLS, ORGANIZATIONS, CIVIC GROUPS, OR CLUBS THAT WOULD BE BENEFICIAL TO THIS COMMISSION/BOARD? HOW CAN WE BE MORE RESPONSIVE TO TRADITIONALLY UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES? (150 WORDS OR LESS)	It's so important to make learning for kids fun, so they want to continue to do it when they get home. When kids take their learning home to their families, they aren't just solidifying their education, but they are sharing it with their families. Just like everyone's dream job -- you don't feel like it's work because you love what you do so much -- school should be the same. Yes, testing is part of it, but rather than drill and practice to get kids ready, there should be an element of fun and a feeling of support in the environment. Many studies have been done that show relaxation increases learning. And students should be tested in similar conditions to the environment where they learn. Sharing these studies with the community may help change how we approach teaching and learning, and may make education more accessible and exciting to students.
THIS BOARD WILL MEET MONTHLY AND WILL REQUIRE THAT YOU ATTEND A SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING EACH MONTH AS WELL. ADDITIONAL TIME REQUIREMENTS MAY ARISE. ARE YOU WILLING AND ABLE TO ATTEND MEETINGS ON A REGULAR BASIS? IF NOT, WHAT ARE YOUR LIMITATIONS? (150 WORDS OR LESS)	Absolutely. I recognize that this is a commitment I am signing up for, and I will show and up do the work that is asked of me. My husband and I support each other with our passions, and so we are well versed in alternating childcare duties so the other one can pursue activities that make them happy. My job is flexible (I work from home, even outside of COVID restrictions), and I understand this is a priority.
WHICH SCHOOL/SCHOOLS ARE YOU MOST INTERESTED IN WORKING WITH? (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)	• North Grade Elementary School (SAC meeting is at 5:30PM on the 1st Monday of the month) • Lake Worth Middle School (SAC meeting is at 6:00PM on the 1st Tuesday of the month) • Lake Worth High School (SAC meeting is at 6:00PM on the 3rd Tuesday of the month) • Sacred Heart School (SAC meeting is at TBA)