



# EAGLE RIDGE ACADEMY

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Did you know that Eagle Ridge Academy is actually a corporation? And that, according to its Articles of Incorporation, members are defined as “all parents or legal guardians of enrolled students and employees.” Why is this important to call out? Because as members of the corporation, you have a significant right: that is, the right to vote and determine who will serve as the corporation’s Board of Directors.

Eagle Ridge Academy is governed by a Board of Directors that is ultimately responsible for the success or failure of both the Academy’s academic mission and its operational and financial excellence. The Board is elected by the staff and families of the Academy, with each Director holding a specified seat on the Board for two years. Currently Eagle Ridge Academy is in the middle of its Annual Election. Voting this year is conducted via an online ballot system, which closes as of 11:59 am on Tuesday, May 27, 2014. If you have already voted, thank you. If not, please reference the May 15, 2014 email from Eagle Ridge Academy with your user id and election passcode.

Board members are expected to act for the good of the organization and to represent the interests of the school by:

- Contributing to the fulfillment of the Academy’s classical education mission and vision;
- Providing oversight of the resources for the financial operations of the school;
- Carrying out the functions of the office of a Board member as stated in the Bylaws;
- Governing effectively and with integrity;
- Practicing good stewardship of the Academy’s human and financial resources; and
- Consistently demonstrating the Duties of Care, Loyalty, Obedience, and Confidentiality to Eagle Ridge Academy and its Board.

Members of the Board of Directors at Eagle Ridge Academy are entrusted to set the policies of the Academy and are held accountable to realize the vision of the Academy; to set up and maintain an effective, efficient organizational structure that permits the Academy’s Executive Director and Administration to manage the school, its teachers to teach, and its students to learn; and to foster positive relationships with school personnel and the wider community.

I urge you to read the posted information on the Eagle Ridge Academy website regarding the candidates who are running for open Board seats, and to cast your ballot by May 27, 2014. If you have any questions regarding any aspect of the voting process, please contact Missy Madigan, the Board of Directors Election Coordinator, at 952-746-7760 ext. 152 or email [mmadigan@eagleridgeacademy.org](mailto:mmadigan@eagleridgeacademy.org).

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