

2024 Regina Public School Board Elections

PLEASE VOTE on November 13 at same poll where you vote for Mayor and City Councillor.
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Friends, whether you have kids or grandkids in public school or not, the state of our public schools affects us all. In 2020, only 21% of eligible voters voted. Remember that associate schools like Regina Christian School, Harvest City Academy and the Huda School fall under the banner of Regina Public Schools. Please give consideration to the list of candidates below and please vote.

You can support RCAAN's below preferred candidates by doing the following:

- a. Promote their candidacy;
- b. Help them identify their voters;
- c. Help them find lawn sign hosts;
- d. Help them find donors; and
- e. Help them find volunteers.

RCAAN's Endorsed Candidates:

Subdivision 1: **KELLY BOND** / www.kellybond.ca / electkellybond@hotmail.com

As a committed parent and community advocate, I am running for trustee in Subdivision 1 because I believe that every child deserves the best education possible. I have a deep passion for giving back through volunteering and supporting local initiatives. With a strong background in business, finance, and IT-driven organizational change, I have developed skills in collaboration, facilitation, active listening, and making informed decisions.

If elected, I will champion four key priorities:

- Strengthening core subjects such as reading, writing, math, and science.
- Promoting transparency and accountability within the school board.
- Implementing effective policies to address student population growth and classroom complexities.
- Ensuring that parents are recognized as vital partners in their children's education.

I am dedicated to supporting our students, parents, and teachers, and I will work tirelessly to create an education system that we can all be proud of. Together, we can shape a brighter future for our children.

**Subdivision 2: CARLA TAYLOR-BROWN / 306-539-3895 / www.carlataylorbrown.ca/
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Hillsdale resident, mom of four, former Educational Assistant

I'm Carla Taylor-Brown and I am running for Public School Board Trustee in Subdivision 2, where I've lived for many years. I am a mom, a school community volunteer and former Educational Assistant who is ready to work hard to help our students and schools thrive.

Our school division has faced significant challenges in the last few years. Parents need greater participation in their children's education and students need to be free of conflict between home and school. Teachers want to teach their subject matter in classrooms of manageable size and communities need graduates whose schooling has equipped them to succeed in a complicated world.

I am running for Trustee because I believe our School Board can and should deliver on these imperatives. I will work collaboratively to address classroom complexity, improve student achievement, respect parental rights, and focus on education not activism to prepare our students for bright futures.

Subdivision 3: MANDEEP SINHMAR - "Putting children and Families First"
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Married for 15 years, mother of 2, resident of Harbour Landing, healthcare worker, community service volunteer

My name is Mandeep Sinhmar. I'm a dedicated mother and community leader, running as a candidate for Regina Public School Trustee, with a clear vision for our children's educational future. I firmly believe in the importance of parental rights, ensuring that parents have a significant voice in their children's education.

Academic achievement is at the heart of my goals, and I am committed to promoting an environment where every student can excel to the best of their ability, regardless of their background. The challenges of modern classrooms demand innovative solutions. I advocate for improving the learning experience by addressing existing shortcomings.

By focusing on these core issues, we can create a school system where every child's potential is not only recognized but fully utilized. Join me on this journey to transform education in Regina, making it effective and genuinely responsive to our community's needs.

Subdivision 4: TRACEY SPARROWHAWK

I am Tracey Sparrowhawk. I am married with four adult children. I am running for Regina Public School Board Trustee in Subdivision 4 because I believe in a strong education system for all children. Our children deserve the best, most comprehensive programs to facilitate academic excellence, and a love for learning.

I have served on professional boards, parent-teacher committees, service organizations such as Girl Guides Canada and Rotary International. These opportunities allowed me to develop skills such as active listening, collaboration, written and oral communications, and strengthened my decision-making skills.

My focus as School Board Trustee, will be to:

1. Direct education to core academic skills: reading, writing, math and science
2. Ensure tax dollars are invested for maximum benefit to students
3. Allow transparency between the school board, parents and teachers, ensuring that parents concerns are heard and addressed
4. Keep the emphasis on student achievement, learning and growth.

Subdivision 5: Lee HARDING / 306-570-1842 / www.voteforlee.ca / lee@voteforlee.ca

I'm Lee Harding, journalist, public policy researcher, and candidate for Regina Public School Board in Subdivision 5. I believe we must hire more teachers and educational assistants. Otherwise, some classes will remain too big to handle, and special needs students won't get necessary attention.

Falling test scores show we must re-examine our approach to teaching literacy and math. Our schools must also encourage achievement. We should abandon the practice of passing primary school children to the next grade without earning or learning their way there. We don't take this approach in swimming lessons or martial arts and we shouldn't in school either, since every grade builds on the one before.

I do support parental rights in education regarding pronouns and other matters. Public schools should be places of learning, not activism, and should not contradict the values parents want to instill in their children. Learn more at VoteforLee.ca.

**Subdivision 6: DOUG ARMBRUSTER / 306-746-7404 / www.douglasarmbruster.ca/
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My name is Douglas Armbruster, and I'm running for Public School Board Trustee in Subdivision 6.

As a husband, father, and community leader, I bring years of experience and a deep investment in education. I'm committed to advocating for all students, all staff, and all schools.

If elected, I will address key issues like class size, complexity, and violence by finding efficiencies and redirecting resources to where they are needed most—the classroom. This will allow us to increase supports like psychologists, speech pathologists, occupational therapists, and counsellors, ensuring students get the help they need.

I will hold our Director of Education accountable for delivering real results in areas like literacy, numeracy, science/technology/engineering/arts/mathematics, social studies and physical education. By focusing on direct student support, we can build safer, more inclusive schools that foster success for every student.

I'm ready to serve. On November 13, I humbly ask for your support.

Subdivision 7: LISE MERLE / 306-535-3313 / www.lisemerle.ca / lise@lisemerle.ca

Writer, thought leader, media personality and mom of 6

I'm Lise Merle, and as your candidate for Regina Public School Trustee in Subdivision 7, my vision is clear: we must prioritize traditional academic excellence, robust parental involvement, and comprehensive student supports.

Education isn't just about teaching; it's about nurturing well-rounded communities. I advocate for an experience that emphasizes the fundamentals: reading, writing, and math, and fostering critical thinking and problem-solving skills - essential for future success.

Parental inclusion and involvement is imperative. I believe in empowering parents with the tools and access needed to actively participate in their child's experience, ensuring education is a partnership between home and school.

Every student deserves support. My commitment to advocate for resources that ensure our children's success, and that every child in Regina Public Schools thrives.

Vote for me, Lise Merle on November 13th, and together, we'll turn Regina Public Schools around - students, parents, and teachers know they're valued and supported.