

Katrecia "Katrece" Nolen

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Loudoun County Public School Board
21000 Education Court
Ashburn, VA 20148

Dear Members of the Loudoun County Public School Board,

I am writing to express interest in becoming the next school board representative for the Broad Run District.

For the last 19 years, my husband and I have had the fortune to raise three children in the Broad Run District. I have also coached, mentored, and cheered many LCPS students along the way. My background as an engineer, business owner, and parent of two current LCPS students provide me with unique skills, perspective, and insight to help move our community forward.

The COVID-19 pandemic has shed light on the need for strong partnerships between the school system and the families that it serves. In many instances, services are available, but families may have challenges navigating the LCPS network of resources. I want to ensure the district actively engages with students and families to ease access to academic and mental health support that they need to succeed.

Over the years, I have actively engaged with school board representatives and LCPS administrators on the LCPS Strategic Plan and the district's progress towards the objectives and supporting initiatives. I want to ensure accountability and transparency in meeting these objectives.

As residents of the Loudoun County community for the last 19 years, I have witnessed many changes throughout our children's educational experience in Loudoun County Public Schools (LCPS). My journey with LCPS began 14 years ago as a parent volunteer in our child's 1st-grade classroom. The following year, our housing community underwent its second school rezoning. With this rezoning, our oldest child became a part of the first class at Steuart Weller Elementary School. The principal asked me to become a member of the Steuart Weller School Improvement Plan (SIP) committee. After supporting this activity, the principal asked me to represent the school as a Delegate for the Minority Student Achievement Advisory Committee (MSAAC). These early experiences provided an opportunity to gain an understanding of the strategic planning process and policy work that occurs at the school, cluster, and district levels. Representing our school at the MSAAC general body meetings allowed me to connect with parents and school leaders and learn about some of the challenges faced and the work required to improve outcomes.

My first time attending a school board meeting did not occur until around 2015. A few of our neighbors were rallying our community because of another planned rezoning effort. It was my first foray into community advocacy before the school board. That night, I signed up and delivered my first public comment. Since then, I have been a consistent presence before the school board and school board committees. This includes researching various issues impacting students throughout the district, meeting with individual school board representatives, and engaging internal LCPS and external

community stakeholder organizations to create solutions to move our school district forward. Additional leadership experience within the district includes serving as MSAAC Chair (2019 - 2020) and as a member of the inaugural LCPS Equity Committee.

I'm excited about the potential opportunity to help the students of LCPS pursue their dreams. And would be grateful for the opportunity to represent the Broad Run District on the Loudoun County Public School Board.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Katrecia Nolen". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

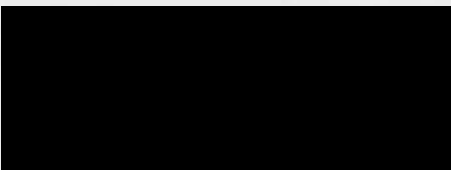
Katrecia Nolen

Candidate for Broad Run District School Board Representative



PROFILE

14 years as a parent in LCPS and counting. A proven leader that rapidly translates strategies into action by planning the execution to maximize performance. A specialist in enhancing stakeholder collaboration; developing strategic governance policies and initiatives; and addressing tough challenges. Very knowledgeable of program and project management practices with a proven track record of implementing necessary controls to ensure compliance with a defined plan. Dedicated to maintaining a reputation built on quality, service, and uncompromising ethics.



HOBBIES

Reading
 Traveling
 Attending Sporting Events
 Watching Movies

AUTHOR

I've Been Diagnosed, Now What? Courageously Fighting Cancer in the Face of Fear, Uncertainty and Doubt – Released October 2020

KATRECIA "KATRECE" NOLEN
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EDUCATION

The University of Oklahoma, Norman OK, May 1998
 Bachelor of Science, Industrial Engineering

The George Washington University, Washington, DC, May 2008
 Master of Business Administration (MBA)

WORK EXPERIENCE

KAPAX Solutions LLC – President/Senior Consultant
 2012–Present

Work with government and commercial clients to establish business operations and provided strategic acquisition and operational advice. Support senior executive and management leadership in the identification and execution of transformational activities to stand up business processes and functions to support new business constructs.

The SI Organization/Lockheed Martin – Systems/Project Engineer
 2004–2012

Led senior management business-level discussion and decisions involving business vision and strategy, enterprise-level decisions, standardization of best practices, and project governance oversight.

Orbital Science – Program Planner
 2002–2004

Sabre Corp/American Airlines – Consultant
 1998–2001

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

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| Strategic Initiatives | Program Management | Project Management |
| Facilitation | Enterprise Governance | Resource Management |
| Process Improvement | Schedule Management | Change Management |



PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS & VOLUNTEER AFFILIATIONS (PAST OR CURRENT)

- Member of the US Women's Chamber of Commerce
- Member of the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce
- Member of Women Impacting Public Policy (WIPP)
- Member of the US Geospatial Intelligence Foundation (USGIF)
- Representative on the Loudoun County Health Council
- Member of Loudoun County Alumnae Chapter (LCAC) of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
- Chair, Advisor and Delegate for the Minority Student Achievement Advisory Committee (MSAAC)
- Representative on the Loudoun County School Board Equity Committee
- Advocate for The IBC (Inflammatory Breast Cancer) Network Foundation
- Member of Inova Schar Cancer Institute Patient and Family Advisory Council (PFAC)
- Member of the Step Sisters Organization Board of Directors