

Eric Hornberger
Chairman and Ashburn District Representative
Loudoun County School Board

Eric Hornberger is currently serving a second term representing the Ashburn District on the Loudoun County School Board after being first elected in November 2011 and then re-elected in November 2015. Since joining the Board, Eric has been annually elected by his colleagues to serve as Board Chairman. He also Chairs the Board's Ad Hoc Committee on the Academies of Loudoun and is currently a member of both the Board's Legislative & Policy Committee and Student Services & Support Committee.

Eric is proud to claim Ashburn and Loudoun County as his home for the past twelve years. He grew up in San Diego, CA, where he earned a B.A. in History/Political Science from Point Loma Nazarene University. He went on to serve as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Guinea, West Africa. Upon his return, he worked at Peace Corps headquarters as a Program Manager in the Office of Private Sector Relations while earning a M.A. in International Affairs from the American University in Washington, DC.

For the past 18 years, Eric has worked for the Mustard Seed Foundation, a private family foundation based in Falls Church. His work has included establishing offices for the Foundation in China, Egypt, India, Indonesia, the Philippines and Singapore, supervising an international staff team, and managing a variety of giving programs. For the past ten years, Eric has served as Executive Director of the Foundation.

An active advocate for the interests of Ashburn, Eric is proud of his service as parent activist and community leader. Eric helped lead a successful civic group, Ashburn Farm Parents United, in advocating for sensible school boundaries and community-based schools. Included in these accomplishments was the successful advocacy for three new schools in northern Ashburn that eventually became known as Discovery Elementary, Trailside Middle and Riverside High Schools to address chronic school overcrowding. He also served for three years on the Board of Trustees of the Ashburn Farm Association, one of the largest homeowners' associations in Loudoun County, including serving two years as its president.

Eric, his wife Paula, and their three children relocated to Ashburn in 2004 after living abroad in Singapore. Paula is a teacher with Loudoun County Public Schools and their three children have either graduated from or currently attending local public schools. Eric and his family attend Ashburn Presbyterian Church.

Eric enjoys his role as husband and father, as well as serving his community, exploring the world, and being a life-long learner.