

Applications for LILA School Board:

Macaire Merkel
Forest Lake, MN

Parent of a first grader and fourth grader at LILA.

Education completed: BA- UW Milwaukee

Experience or skills working with youth, youth issues and parenting:

I am the parent of a 10 year old and a 7 year old and have been a big sister through the Big Brothers and Big Sisters organization.

Community involvement:

Currently leader of my daughter's Daisy Troop and a volunteer team leader at Eagle Brook Church.

School Involvement:

PTO President 2006-2007 and 2007-2008

PTO Secretary 2005-2006

PTO Board Representative 2004-2005

LILA Foundation Member

What are the primary strengths, skills or expertise you would bring to your position on the Lakes International School Board?

Excellent communicator, excellent analytical skills. I am currently Director of Education for a medical device company, so I also have extensive project management experience and budget forecasting and management experience.

Please describe why you are interested in serving as a School Board Member:

I think LILA is a great school that keeps getting better every year. I know the time and energy that is required in a role like this and I know that I have it to give. There is nothing I'm more passionate about than my kid's education and ensuring that LILA survives and thrives through these challenging legislative and economic times.