

Board of Education Candidates

Three seats are open on the Honeoye Falls-Lima Central School District Board of Education. Candidates elected to the Board during the 2026-27 Budget Vote and Board Election will serve three-year terms. Meet the Candidates Night is Tuesday, May 12th at 6:00 p.m. in the H.S. Cafeteria. This event will also be live-streamed on the District's website at www.hflcsd.org. The Board candidates include:

Julie Masterson



Julie Masterson has dedicated more than thirty years to serving students and families in the Honeoye Falls-Lima Central School District as a reading teacher and librarian at Manor Intermediate School. She is retiring in June 2026. Prior to joining HF-L, she taught in the Monticello, NY school district.

She holds a bachelor's degree in elementary education and a master's degree in reading from SUNY Fredonia, a master's degree in library science from the University at Buffalo, and a Certificate of Advanced Study in educational administration from SUNY New Paltz.

A resident of the district since 1999, Masterson is an active member of the community and volunteers with the EquiCenter, supporting therapeutic programs for individuals with disabilities.

She is committed to maintaining strong academic standards while being mindful of responsible budgeting and its impact on taxpayers. Our school district is a source of pride for this community, and she is committed to helping it remain strong for future generations. By serving on the Board of Education, Masterson hopes to use her extensive educational experience to support students, families, and staff while helping the district to grow and thrive.

Rachel Rivera



Rachel Rivera has been an HF-L resident for nearly 14 years. She lives in Lima with her husband Ruben and children. She is a parent of children who have graduated from and are currently attending HF-L, including a college freshman who is an HF-L graduate, a current high school student, and a preschooler who will enter the district in the coming years.

She has been actively involved in the district and community, including serving on the Program Budget Advisory Council and the HF-L School Counseling Advisory Committee. Rivera has also spent many years supporting local youth through coaching and serving in leadership roles within youth football and cheerleading organizations, both at the local and regional level.

Rivera brings extensive experience in leadership, education, and evaluation through her role as Chair of the Education Committee for the New York State Cheerleading Judges Association, where she works to promote consistency, communication, and accountability across programs statewide.

In addition to her community involvement, Rivera has a background in small business ownership and operations and currently works for her husband's business, bringing a practical understanding of budgeting, problem-solving, and organizational management.

Rivera is running for the Board of Education to support strong communication, transparency, and thoughtful decision-making, with a focus on serving all students - every student, every day - and representing the broader community. She is committed to being a thoughtful, engaged, and accessible voice for the district.

Lynley Guckian



Lynley Guckian is seeking her second term on the HF-L Board of Education and currently serves as Vice President of the Board. Guckian is currently on the Audit Committee and Monroe County School Boards Association Legislative Committee and previously served on the Monroe County School Boards Association Information Exchange Committee.

In addition, Guckian has 12+ years of volunteer experience in the district including PTA chair, committee member & event coordinator, has participated in various school improvement teams, has served on the Board of the HF-L Education Fund, participated in the district re-opening committee, and served on the Public Budget Advisory Committee for 3 years. Guckian also worked as a substitute teacher/paraprofessional within the district. She greatly values our close knit community and is dedicated to giving back to our youth and school district. "It has been an honor to serve on the school board as a district and community representative this past term. I look forward to continuing my service of guiding the district as well as advocating for every student and public education."

She holds a B.S. in Chemistry from Colorado State University and a M.S. in Materials Science and Engineering from Rochester Institute of Technology.

Guckian and her husband Ryan have lived in Honeoye Falls since 2009. They have three children; two recent HF-L graduates and one currently enrolled in the district.

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**Thomas
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Thomas Gaborski has been a proud member of the Honeoye Falls-Lima community since 2015, where he and his wife are raising two children who are active members of the cross-country, Nordic skiing, and track-and-field programs at the middle school and high school. Professionally, Gaborski serves as Professor and Department Head of Biomedical Engineering at the Rochester Institute of Technology and is a co-founder of SiMPore, an early-stage technology company commercializing advanced membrane technologies. Building a company from the ground up has meant making every dollar count, prioritizing investments that deliver real value, making hard tradeoffs, and staying focused on long-term goals under significant financial pressure. He believes that mindset translates directly to school districts navigating increasingly tight budgets and growing student needs.

Gaborski also brings direct experience in curriculum development, assessment, and accreditation, and a deep commitment to the thoughtful integration of technology in education. As artificial intelligence reshapes classrooms, workplaces, and daily life, he believes school communities must be intentional, ensuring students learn to use these tools effectively, critically, and ethically. Gaborski is running for the Board of Education to bring his experience as an educator, researcher, and technology leader to a community and school district he cares deeply about.

Caralyn Ross



Caralyn Ross has been a member of the Board of Education since 2017. She served as Vice President from 2021-2023 and has been President of the Board since July 2023. Ross is a member of the Board's Governance Committee and is a past member of the Board's Audit and Policy Committees. Ross also represents the Board on the Legislative Committee of the Monroe County School Boards Association.

Prior to joining the Board, Ross spent two years on the district's Program Budget Advisory Council and two years as community representative for the Middle School Home and Careers Decision Input Unit. She has also been a member of the executive board of the St. John's Nursery School, volunteered to work with students in numerous math and reading programs at Lima Primary and the Manor School, tutored first and second grade students at City School No. 36 in reading, and worked as a Sunday School teacher at Temple B'rith Kodesh in Brighton.

Ross holds a BA from Cornell University, a master's degree in Public Administration from the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs at Syracuse University, and a JD from Syracuse University College of Law. She is employed as a Principal Appellate Court Attorney at the Appellate Division of the New York State Supreme Court.

Ross and her husband, Alan, have lived in Mendon since 1995. They have four children, Emma (27), Isabel (25), Nathan (23), and Matthew (20), all of whom are proud graduates of HF-L. "My husband and I chose to raise our family in Mendon because of the excellent reputation of the HF-L school district, and our children have benefitted tremendously from the district's ongoing commitment to providing students with a quality education and a wide range of academic and extracurricular opportunities. I am a firm believer in the value of a public education to students, families, and the community at large. I look forward to the opportunity to continue serving the residents of the school district as we work to maintain a sound and fiscally responsible educational program that will equip each student to meet his or her future."