SCC Candidate Information:

Dave Cook

I was raised on the East Coast and attended outstanding public schools. I earned a degree in Economics from BYU in Provo and an MBA from Georgetown University. I worked for over a decade in Washington, DC in various financial and project management roles. My family and I moved to Draper 10 years ago. I am a Chartered Financial Analyst and work as an Investment Analyst and Portfolio Manager for an institutional money manager in Salt Lake City. I have two sons at Draper Park Middle School and two more who will attend in the future. I am a passionate supporter of public education and believe our teachers and administrators deserve all the parental support and input we can give. Middle School was a time of profound growth for me, and I would like to give back. I eagerly look forward to serving the Draper Park Community in this role.

Emily Ord

Hello! My name is Emily Ord. My husband and I have lived in Draper with our five children for seven years. We love this community. I've had the opportunity to be on the SCC at DPMS for the last two years. I led the effort to create and adopt an effective cell phone policy at DPMS. I also coordinated three assemblies and one great parent night with Tanner Clark from the Look Up Foundation. He spoke on the importance of Teen Screen Safety. If elected again, I look forward to giving the parents of DPMS a voice and making more contributions to our children's education. Thank you!

Lydia Strait LeSueur

Hi! Having been a single mom for three years, and recently remarried with a blended a family, I am deeply invested in the success of our schools. I have had three children attend DPMS, with three more to come. They have been involved in theater, art, band, and orchestra; honors classes, special education plans, and PTSA. Each child has benefited from caring teachers, a supportive administration, and classmates that feel a sense of loyalty to their school.

I want to be involved in SCC because parents in the community have a vital role in supporting the mental and emotional health of children and creating a learning environment where they can thrive. I believe academic success is more likely to occur when children have been taught effective copings skills and have been given tools to communicate feelings, create boundaries, and learn to live their core values by living with integrity.

Cami Shipp

My name is Cami Shipp. We have lived in Draper for 11 years. I have 5 children ranging in age from high school to elementary, including one child with special needs. My background is in pediatric nursing but most importantly I am an advocate for our students and their education. I hope to add a voice that will help your students have the best possible learning environment to succeed.

Sarah Tripp

My name is Sarah Tripp. As a candidate for the Draper Park School Community Council I bring seven years experience as a teacher in private and public schools and over 20 years volunteer and work experience in schools as a reading aide, Choir Director, Junior Achievement teacher, PTA support and much more. Many of my former students are now attending Draper Park Middle School. I earned a Bachelors degree in EIEd from BYU in 2006 and a Masters degree in Curriculum and Instruction in 2021 through WGU. As a mother of six children, two of them attending middle school and two of them currently employed as middle school teachers, I have the unique perspective of supporting student learners while being mindful of the needs of teaching professionals. Please consider me as a candidate for the Draper Park School Community Council for the next two years. Thank you!

Nancy Nichols

I am Nancy Nichols, mother of 10, grandmother of 3. Two of my children with be attending Draper Park Middle School this 2022-23 school year. I have had children attending this school for the past 7 years since we moved into this beautiful city of Draper. Draper Park Middle has some outstanding departments with excellent teachers. Two that I have had 3 children participate in are the theater and vocal music departments as well as all the other required classes for students this age. I think it is important as parents to have a voice in how trust land funds are best spent for the school to help the most students possible in the needs of this time. I have experience being on community councils both in this district and Granite School district. I understand the importance of choosing wisely where trust land money is spent.

Alicia Cottle

I have 5 children in canyons district. My 2 older children attended DPMS and are now at Corner Canyon High School. My 2 youngest (twins) are at Willow Springs elementary, ready to start their second grade year. My son Cade is right in the middle and is 7th Grade at DPMS.

I would love to serve on the SCC board. I want to be involved and help where I can as a parent. I would love to meet staff as well as parents in this community! We have a wonderful community! Middle School can be such a tricky time for kids and I'd love to be involved to help as much as I can. I'm at a stage in my life where my 5 children are all in school and I have a bit more time to be involved and serve.

Jenny Boyack

My name is Jenny Boyack. I was raised in Highland, Utah. I received a health science degree from Utah Valley State College. I have been a resident of Draper City for the past 17 years. My husband and I have 4 children. We have loved living in Draper and think that it is a gem. Our schools are fantastic, they are run by amazing administration and staff. I have a desire to serve our community, to ensure that our children have the best education.