

## Wyoming Public Schools Board of Education Candidate Profile Fall 2024

**Jennifer Lewis** 

## **Overview:**

- Please limit each response to 150 words or less.
- Responses will not be edited and will be shared (in print and/or electronically) as they are submitted.
- Profiles will appear in alphabetical order by last name.
- Please provide a high resolution headshot to accompany your profile.

## **Questions:**

- 1. Please provide a brief bio about yourself. Include your personal background, particular skills or experiences that qualify you to serve on the Board of Education. My Name is Jennifer Lewis, I am the current Treasurer of the Wyoming Public Schools Board of Education serving in my 6th year. I am the mother of a 2018 Wyoming graduate and a current junior at the Wyoming High School. I am also a Graduate of Wyoming Park High School class of 91. My commitment is to my Wyoming community. Outside of my role as a mother and school board member, I work full time as a licensed personal insurance agent at Brown & Brown Insurance.
- 2. What motivates you to want to become a Wyoming Public Schools Board of Education member? My motivation to be a school board member started in 2018. There were 2 open seats for the Wyoming Board of Education and only one candidate registered to be on the ballot. I felt bad for our Wyoming kids and community that nobody wanted to fill that seat. At that time, I was a busy mom with my first son going off to college and my youngest entering the teenage years but felt our kids and community deserved someone with passion to represent them, so I entered as a write in candidate. The experience on the Board has been eye opening and rewarding. I am not a career politician using this seat as a steppingstone to further my political career. I am a parent and community member dedicated to our Public Schools.
- 3. What attributes and behaviors are essential for effective school board members? As a current board member, it is important to ask questions to seek and understand each decision we make. I am not a "rubber stamp" board member. We do not and will not always agree but understand it is important to make sure we are doing what is best for the greater good of all not just some in our decision making. I do not execute my role as a board member with a personal agenda, I know that my duty is to be the voice of the entire Wyoming community.



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- 4. If elected, what will be your priorities? If re-elected, my priorities will be to continue asking the important questions to make the best decision on behalf of the Wyoming families. I will continue my involvement in schools not only as a school board member but as a parent and volunteer. Parent participation is proven to contribute to the success of the students and the health of the schools and organizations within the schools.
- 5. How are you currently involved in the Wyoming Public School community? I am currently involved in the schools as a school board member but also as a parent volunteer. I use vacation time from work to attend our Alpha Wolf 11 award ceremonies as it is important to cheer and support the amazing AW11 recipients. I volunteer my time in the concession stands during athletic events as well as feeding our student athletes for team dinners. I volunteer my time cleaning bleachers after football games to support the Senior class trip after graduation. I enjoy attend various events such as the debut of the Wyoming High marching band after their band camp each year as well as our Art show to see the amazing talents of our art students. I attend our Wyoming theater company shows when preformed. I am a familiar face in the Wyoming Schools and a supporter of all our Wyoming kids.
- 6. What is your vision for education in the district and how can we better serve our scholars and families? My vision for education is to ensure each student has the tools they need to be successful in their academic career while in Wyoming public schools. I know that every experience and need to succeed looks different and I want to make sure that we have the resources and support available to ensure their success academically.