

2021-22 E.T. Booth School Council Candidates

Tim Adderholdt

I am the son of a 30yr teacher and general contractor. I grew up in a wonderful business owner's and educator's household and am doing my best to be as good a parent to my children as mine were for me.

Serena Albright

I am a mother of 3 that have all attended the Cherokee County School system for most of their school years. I also attended CC as well as ET Booth. I am interested in staying connected with the latest school updates and helping to put the best interest of the students a priority.

Sabrina Babar

My name is Sabrina Babar and I am 42 years. I have been married 18 years this September with my amazing husband and we have one daughter, Zinnia, who is in 6th grade at E.T. Booth. I am not only a full-time mom, wife, and a student at Columbia Southern University but I also proudly work full time, for the past 14 years, at Cobb EMC. I am a member of various committees within our organization for the past 14 years from the Wellness Committee, Security Education Training Awareness Team, Cultural Awareness, Community & Public Relations (Volunteer Work), to J.D. Power Quality & Reliability Team to our Women Initiative Network program. I have previous experience in working in schools with students by working in the after-school program and stepping in to finish my bachelors degree in Early Childhood Education at KSU, till challenges occurred in my life to change my career path that made me step into the corporate world as an Administrative Assistant for Cobb EMC's Fleet Services department. I believe my experience that I have in these committees within my organization and the personal experience, will be a big asset to ET Booth's Student Advisory Council. Thank you.

Shelbee Bailey

Hi I'm Shelbee Bailey, Merilyn, Amber and Robert's mom. We moved here in January to get our kids back into a Pre-Pandemic like school. The county we left failed. It failed our kids. Cherokee County and Cherokee County Schools are doing it right and I want to help however I'm able to keep it that way. I'm a stay at home mom, soccer mom and substitute teacher. I love my husband and my kids and we love it here. Great schools! Great community! Great mindset. We must all do whatever we can to protect it and keep it that way.

Brittany Bengert

Having grown up in Cobb County, I chose to move to Cherokee once I completed my time in and working for the Army. I chose Cherokee because the data showed that the school district would provide a solid education for my kids. I am a volunteer in the community and my 6th grader is on the Jr. Eagles Football team. I am an active participant in my boys' education and can commit to attending every meeting. I also work as a Project Manager in both the nonprofit and IT worlds so

I have experience tracking metrics towards goals with an eye to the strategic plan. If elected, I will do my best and work with the other members of the SAC in supporting our students.

Benjamin Black

My name is Ben Black, both of my boys have had the privilege of attending E.T. Booth. My youngest son is currently in the 7th Grade while my oldest just started at Etowah High School this year. Our family moved to Cherokee County in 2018 after having lived in Cobb County for almost 18 years. I come from a very broad educational background. Having been a "Military B.R.A.T." I was exposed to a variety of different schools and cultures in my youth. Upon graduation from Lakenheath American High School in England, I attended Eastern Michigan University on a partial wrestling scholarship. Upon earning my Bachelor of Science degree in Geology, I moved, with my wife, to Georgia where we started our careers and began raising our family. I later earned my Master of Science degree in Geological Engineering from the University of Idaho Engineering Outreach Program. I am currently working on completing Ph.D. coursework in Civil Engineering through Iowa State University. I am a local businessman as well. My company, GeoLogic is a full service geological and engineering consulting firm. In addition to raising my family and running a small business, I have also been a community wrestling coach for over 14 years and I am an active supporter/sponsor of the Etowah High School Wrestling team and the Junior Wrestling team. Over my many years of education, at all levels, I have seen both the good and the bad when it comes to how schools are run and what the expectations are for administration, the teachers, and the students. A strong leadership team coupled with the faculty and parent leaders can make or break a school. I am passionate about our children's education. Making the right decisions and supporting a strong, empowered leadership team is critical to the goal of educating our children. As a member of the SAC, you can count on me to be a voice of the community and support the mission of E.T. Booth Middle School.

Chelli Brown

Hands on parent of a 6th & 9th grader. Room parent exp. Event coordinator. Office manager.

Michael Burton

Parents! I want to know what you think when you read the mission statement of E.T. Booth. What kind of feedback would you give to the Principal and Administration of E.T. Booth, whether positive or constructive, related to the strategies and programs in place that execute the mission?

As a candidate for the E.T. Booth School Advisory Council, my responsibility is to listen, seek feedback, and be your collective voice in guiding the school toward its stated mission:

"We are dedicated to building a tradition of academic excellence in a safe, student-centered learning environment that emphasizes respect and responsibility, with attention to the needs of all learners."

The end result is a relationship where the leadership at E.T. Booth is making well informed decisions armed with the knowledge and recommendations of the community they serve.

I understand we are not all the same. There are many voices, and they may not all be saying the same thing however they all should have the same goal: To help the school achieve their mission statement for the betterment of all our children. There is strength in numbers.

After 2 years as a Vice President on the PTA at my daughters' elementary school, I rolled out WATCH D.O.G.S. (Dads of Great Students). We brought together hundreds of Dads from all walks of life to help elevate the learning environment.

Everyday decisions are made about policies, procedures, programs, and strategies that that directly impact the environment, whether in-person or digital, that our children learn in.

I'm asking you to make a decision to elect me, Michael Burton, to the Advisory Council so that we can be part of that process together.

Thanks for your consideration!

Catalina Castillo-Parra

My name is Catalina C-Parra, I would be honored to represent ET Booth's School Advisory Council.

I'm an Implementation Consultant and Client Advocate for technology companies. I believe that it is important for parents to be knowledgeable and involved in their child's school and in the community, plus I truly enjoy helping people find solutions!

Amy Cinkaj

Hey , my name is Amy of course. I work in car sales. I love my family and love to see all children succeed and overcome challenges as this life can be very hard. It is very important for them to have strong guidance along the way. I think I could represent our community well. Wednesdays are my days off so it shouldn't be a problem at all for me to attend all the meetings.

Amanda Cox

My name is Amanda Cox. I am married with two children, actual one adult and one child. I am a senior manager for the business government unit at Verizon Wireless. In this position I lead an organization of 130 people and solve complex problems. I'm original from Ohio, before relocating to Woodstock five years ago. I would like to be a part of SAC to first be involved but also, I think I can bring a different perspective to the group. Thank you!

Luciana Daniels

Hi my name is Luciana Daniels I am a flight attendant for Delta Air Lines and have been for 21 years. We moved here from Tampa Fl 4 years ago and we absolutely love North GA.

Lisa Diaz

Hello. My name is Lisa Diaz. I believe my multicultural perspective and experiences will add to the School Advisory Council and as a representative of the community.

I was born in Southern California, grew up in Vancouver, Washington and graduated from Western Washington University with a degree in Journalism/Communication. I was a breaking news reporter for two years in Washington State and then I moved to Taipei, Taiwan where I taught pre-K through high school in an American School for four years. Additionally, I taught corporate executives business English. I have lived in two other countries: British Columbia, Canada and Melbourne, Australia. I enjoy traveling and experiencing new cultures and meeting different types of people.

I have worked for 16 years as a global mobility professional with clients worldwide. I am currently a Business Proposal Manager for Altair Global via the Marketing/Communications and Business Development teams. I started and lead the LATINX team member resource group for my company, I am of Yaqui descent (Native American) on my father's side and descend from a surviving member of the Mayflower on my mother's side.

I moved from Seattle, Washington to Alpharetta, Georgia January 2013 for work and then moved to Virginia Beach, VA, in 2017. My partner, Matthew, is a naval officer attending Emory's full-time MBA program. We moved back to Georgia June 2020. Matthew grew up in Ball Ground and attended Kennesaw State University.

I am excited to help make my daughter's first year at ET Booth as exciting and enjoyable as possible."

John Drawdy

John Drawdy is a CPA and owner of Paragon Accounting and Tax Solutions in Woodstock. John and his wife, LaTease, who teaches at Booth, have one child currently in 7th grade at Booth as well as a 5th grader who will be at Booth next year. John is very involved in our local community, including being Bascomb's past PTA President and past President of the Towne Lake Rotary Club. John is also a Cub Scout pack Committee Chair (previously a Den Leader) and a member of the Boy Scouts District Committee. His position on the District Committee is committed to raising funds to aid in building children into values-based leaders that our community so badly needs.

Robyn Mattson

My name is Robyn Mattson and I am a parent to a beautiful 6th Grader-McKenzie and a spunky little 4th grader - Brody. I have been married for 20 years and have lived in the Woodstock/Acworth area that long as well. This year I am new Work Based Learning Coordinator at Etowah High School and am thrilled for this new adventure to work with students and industry. Previously, I served as the Etowah CTI Coordinator for the past 17 years where I have worked with at risk students to expose them to all options available after high school (University, Technical College, Trade school, Work programs, etc.). I have a passion for helping every student find their value and worth and believe everyone can be successful if they can gain the confidence and trust in themselves. I am interested in serving on the School Advisory Council in the hopes I can learn more about how the middle school works as well as provide any insight on how students can be prepared and make transitioning to high school and beyond as successful as possible.

Kelly Metka

My name is Kelly Metka and I would love to be considered for the SAC. I am a former middle school teacher with experience in both Cherokee and Fulton County schools. I am currently on staff full time at Woodstock City Church and an active volunteer with Must Ministries in their summer lunch program. I have been a proud parent of Cherokee County schools for over 10 years and believe that the schools are the heart of our community. This has been proven more than ever during these Covid years and I would like this opportunity to be more involved at the school level. I believe that my experiences as both a parent, former teacher and community volunteer would allow me to be helpful addition to the committee.

Erika Miller

Hello, my family and I have been residents of Woodstock, for over twenty years. So far, we've had five students graduate from Etowah Highschool. I believe that our unique family dynamic and life experience will offer a more diversified perspective to our middle school community. My husband and I are veteran, specialized foster parents. We have adopted eight of our children to date. Two of which either have either served or is currently serving in the US Military, one, Summer, is currently attending nursing school, another, Byyshop teaches martial arts full time while also attending university, one 6th grader, Cameron and two elementary students, Emory and Tiger.

I would be honored to serve on the SAC alongside colleagues and community partners to raise awareness and advocacy for students, with differentiated and varied learning, emotional and social needs. Thank You.

Meredith Nickson

I am new to Booth, but a former Middle School educator. I would welcome to chance to help support the students and school in any way.

George Oakes

I am currently a Regional Manager for Hollywood Feed a natural/holistic pet food retailer. I have been in direct public retail for over 35 years dealing with the public as well as training, mentoring and developing growth in not only public sales but day to day personal growth and engagement in the industry. I feel I have experienced a lot in my 50 plus years on this earth. And have raised 3 great kids and one with some development/learning challenges so I have worked with the county since his first day in Pre-K. We have lived in Cherokee for over 20 years and loved volunteering when able for field trips and book fairs. I am about family values and also adaptiveness to changes.

Nathan Padilla

Hello Falcons Families: I have two children in the CCSD Family, one of which is at E.T. Booth. I have taken pride to be an involved parent not only for my children, but an advocate for all children. This is an opportunity to continue my volunteerism. I want to be an extended voice from what our leadership is working so hard to convey to many of us.

This is about bridging our community with what our schools are doing.

As far as me, I am a director for NASA Tophat Soccer for Cherokee and Kennesaw. I also am an instructor in the HPE Department for Kennesaw State. My previous involvement with the schools have been, PTA Vice President, School Council and was in one of our fantastic V.I.L.L.A classes.

Thank you and I look forward to our journey together here at E.T. Booth!

Mark Phillippe

I am a lifelong Cherokee resident and a graduate of CCSD. I am retired from UPS and now an insurance broker with Cherokee Insurance Center who specializes in Life and Disability insurance with a passion to help parents fund trust for special needs kids. I started and run a not for profit that raises awareness for Turner Syndrome. We got to work with Gov Nathan Deal to declare Feb as TS Awareness month at a state level. We organize an annual walk that started with 34 people and has had as many as 780. We have gotten awareness participation in all 50 states and 7 continents. I have a passion to be a voice for others that do not have that option. If chosen I will represent the families of ET Booth as well as the community we serve.

Orlando Quick

My name is Orlando Quick and I'm a REALTOR here in Woodstock. I've served on the student council advisory board at Boston and last year at Bascomb. I've coached football the past 4years for CYFA Eagles. Our oldest son Jalin Quick was the first 6th grade class at E.T Booth and he's now going into his 2nd year of college at Georgia State. My family and I have lived in the community since 2006. I've always been active with the boys PTA and I look forward to join the PTA at Booth. I would love the opportunity to serve with you.

Pam Rountree

I have two children who attend ET Booth and one that attends Etowah High School. I have a vested interest in the success of our schools and I have the time I can volunteer to help. I currently work at a local private school. Prior to that, I worked as a professional in the legal system for twenty years and served four years on the state certification board for my position. Again, I am happy to help out in our community schools.

Kathy Sanders

My name is Kathy Sanders, my daughter Julianne is a 6th grader this year. I am the owner/graphic designer for Tickled Peach Studio and the owner/baker for Sweet Owl Bakery. I have recently started working as the ASP Bookkeeper at Clark Creek Elementary this year. I have served as a PTA Executive Board member for 5 years and a school council member for 3 years at Clark Creek Elementary. I also served as Secretary for the Cherokee County Council of PTAs for the past 2 years. I have enjoyed being an active volunteer in the CCSD community and hope you will consider allowing me to serve on the SAC at ET Booth Middle School.

DeloresShoemaker

I'm an outgoing sales rep, mother of 4, and grandmother of 6. I've lived in and cared about this community for over 25 years and spent many, many hours hanging out here as a teenager. After spending 10 years as a military dependent, I chose Woodstock to come back to. My youngest son has attended Cherokee County Schools since kindergarten and currently attends E.T. Booth, following in his siblings' footsteps. Over the years, I've supported my children's many extracurricular activities for school, sports, clubs and in the community. I've enjoyed being a team mom countless times, unofficial photographer for their little league teams, volunteered for cleanups, baseball fairs, and donations. We've opened our home to stray pets, exchange students, and even a few stray kids that needed a second chance. I have gained "adopted" family members and have had so many people in my small home for the holidays that the fire marshall would cringe. I am the kind of person who gets up every day thankful that I woke up on this side of the dirt. I have been blessed with a great husband, great kids (and grandkids), and great friends. I never meet strangers - they are just friends I haven't met yet. I am also having a really hard time responding to this because I am not one to talk about myself and never know what to say. I decided to put my name in the hat for this role simply because I spend a lot of time in our community and mostly because I care. I care about this community and the people in it.

Luciano Tenaglia

I graduated college from the University of Central Florida (UCF).

I live in Woodstock. I own and operate (LCN) Life Changing Nutraceuticals and Pinnacle Power Butter. Both companies are here in GA.

I have worked in the nutrition industry for 25 years.