

Meet School Board Candidate John K. Huggett

Address: 1201 Mary Hill Circle, Hartland, WI 53029

Spouse: Nicole Huggett

Children: Giselle and Stella

Years of District Residency: Eight

Education:

University of Wisconsin-Madison

B.S. Civil & Environmental Engineering, Construction Engineering Management

Current Profession: Vice President, Project & Performance Development – The Boldt Company

Community Activities:

St. Charles Parish, Member

Associated General Contractors of Wisconsin, Former Board Member-Specialty Contractors

1. Why have you chosen to seek election to the Swallow School Board of Education?

As an eight-year resident with two children attending Swallow School, I feel it is important to give back to the district and community that has provided my family with many opportunities. I want to help Swallow School to continue to further its mission to educate our youth at a high level.

2. What personal philosophies and experiences do you have that will help you best represent the Swallow electorate?

My experience leading project teams in the construction industry for the last 20-years has provided me with opportunities to strengthen my leadership and organizational skills. I have developed strong listening and communicating skills by working with a wide range of stakeholders to understand the organization's goals and help to develop and execute a plan to achieve those goals.

3. What do you perceive to be major strengths of the District at this time and what strengths, experiences, and qualities do you possess that will support continued District efforts in these areas of strength?

My experience volunteering in my children's classrooms exposed me to the strength and passion of the instructional staff at Swallow School. My attendance at the various school and fundraising events has reinforced my belief that we have a District with a high level of parent engagement. Last year, I had the opportunity to serve as the co-chair for the Swallow School Facilities Advisory Committee (FAC) whose role was to provide a recommendation to the School Board prior to the recent referendum. During my experience on the FAC, I was exposed to some of the challenges facing the District. I was impressed by the organization and planning that was going into addressing those challenges. I believe my personal and professional experiences will allow me to assist the District in addressing its needs.

4. What do you believe are the major issues facing the District at this time and what strengths, experiences, and qualities do you possess that will better position the District in navigating these issues?

I believe the goal of a school district is to provide a safe, enriching educational experience that will prepare each student for the next stage of their life-long educational journey. I will listen and look to understand the challenges the District faces to ensure the District is responding to these challenges. During the upcoming construction project, I will draw upon my professional experiences to provide guidance to help the District achieve its goals.