

Eden School Council Bios

Caregiver Name	Something about them	Why they want to be on council
Kristy Duncan	My name is Kristy Duncan and I have two daughters. My oldest is Allegra, who graduated from Eden in June. My youngest is Gabriella, who is in grade 11 this year. Both my girls have enjoyed multiple sports at Eden and Gabriella is also very involved in the drama department. Outside of parenting teenagers, I teach music and kindergarten at Oakridge Public school, and enjoy reading, running and playing hockey.	Firstly, I always appreciate getting a closer look at what is happening at my daughters' school, and gaining insight into how I can help them, their friends, and their whole school to fully engage and succeed. Secondly, I enjoy being part of the decision making processes that occur on council, hearing the opinions and ideas of all involved, and striving to reach decisions that best meet the needs of the whole community. I also enjoy volunteering to help with fundraising, special events and any other practical tasks that need to be done. Finally, as an Eden grad myself, I want participate to help ensure that the school and its community continue to thrive. I was an active member of Jeanne Sauve's council for 10 years, Sir Winston's for 2 years, and Eden's council for the last 2 years, so I'm aware of the commitment required and very willing to give Eden's council my best effort.
Kevin Dyck	Former Eden student-council president and current DSBN teacher, Kevin Dyck is interested in continuing to serve as a voting member of Eden School Council because he cares deeply about the next generation and how Eden can help develop thoughtful, well-rounded leaders for tomorrow. Grateful for Eden's rich heritage and the impact it has had on his	As the father of two Eden graduates and one current Eden student, Kevin has a unique perspective on the needs of students at different stages of their high school experience. Having served on Eden's School Council for the past five years, he understands both the opportunities and responsibilities that come with contributing to

	own life and family, Kevin hopes to encourage the development of each student's mind, body, and spirit by participating in the life of School Council.	the school community. While recognizing that School Council encompasses far more than the spiritual development of students, Kevin strongly supports Eden's thriving Spiritual Life Centre and appreciates the positive impact it has had on thousands of students over the years. His commitment to excellence, experience as an educator and parent, and willingness to listen and consider different perspectives will help Eden continue to pursue its student-focused goals in the coming year and beyond.
Michelle DenBak	My husband and I have four children, three have graduated from Eden and our youngest is in grade 12. I am a photographer and enjoyed photographing the volleyball, track and soccer teams last year when my son was on those teams. As a youth leader and parent, I am passionate about supporting our students throughout these high school years.	Joining the school council is a great way for me to stay informed on school events and also will allow me to volunteer to stay active within the Eden community, which is important to me as this is my last year as a parent.
Amanda Goulet	My name is Amanda Goulet and I have two kids currently at Eden, my daughter is in Grade 11 and my son is in Grade 9. They are so happy to be at Eden! I also have another daughter who graduated in 2025!	I have been on the Eden Council as a voting member for the last 5 years and have loved being a part of this amazing community! I also served on the council at my child's school for 5 years. I spent 4 of those years as co-chair and enjoyed it so much! I attended Eden for 4 years (2 years in NOTL and 2 years in St. Catharines). I truly believe in what Eden is and what it stands for. I love being a part of this

		amazing council & community that supports the wonderful place that holds a special spot in a lot of our hearts!
Charlie (Xiaojun) Liu	My name is Xiaojun Liu, and you can call me Charlie. I am father of Yuhan (preferred name: Han) Liu, a new Grade 9 this year at Eden. I came to Canada in 2021 and Han and his mom joined me one year later. I used to be a high school guidance counselor for more than 6 years in China and had been doing education related jobs for almost all the years before coming to Canada.	I have watched how Han adapted to this new environment after we moved to Canada at his Grade 5, and how he made friends, overcame all kinds of difficulties and challenges and became the valedictorian eventually at Edith Cavell's graduation this past June. I want to share my own observation, understanding, as well as the experience as high school counselor with the Eden community and help students, including international students like Han to make their years at Eden more fruitful and colorful.
Brian Cline	Hi, I'm Brian! Crystal and I are proud parents of four kids, currently in grades 12, 11, 9 and 7, so we've been part of this school community for quite a while. I work as a Director of Software Engineering, where I manage teams, budgets and P&L. Outside of work, our family is active in our church, and I volunteer with our youth ministry.	I'm looking forward to helping the council make thoughtful decisions that benefit every student.
Crystal Cline	My name is Crystal Cline and I am the mother of 4 children and married to my husband of 17 years (Brian Cline). Three of our children go to Eden and are currently in grade 9 (Emma), grade 11 (Matthew), and grade 12 (Noah). My husband is a computer architect at Flexitallic and I currently work as a secretary and marketing consultant.	I would love to be a part of student council again this year, to help make a difference within our school and to contribute to all of our students success. I am a strong believer in lifelong learning and hope to help make important decisions for our children's future. I will certainly have an open and respectful mind when it comes to our discussions at meetings and am passionate about contributing to making our

		schools a safer, robust learning environment to equip our children for their futures.
Amy Vanderkooy	My name is Amy Vanderkooy and I am the parent of 2 current Eden students. We have sons in Grade 9 & 11. I work in post-secondary education and very much enjoy being a part of the school community. I have had the privilege of being involved with the school council for 2 years already and served as the secretary and fundraising chair last year. I look forward to being involved for another year.	I am interested in being involved in the Eden School Council in order to help the school community to foster a wonderful school experience for our students. I have, over many years, seen the benefits of a well-rounded high school experience that allows students to grow both inside and outside of the classroom. I am encouraged by the incredible level of engagement by the council and would like to serve in any way I can to support that! If it benefits the council I would be interested in helping to Chair the council this year. Either way I would like to serve the council as a voting member. I also look forward to continuing to help with the fundraising efforts of the school council.
Simon Stafford	I am a proud parent of two children in Grades 11 and 12 and have been actively involved in our school community since they first started at Eden.	For more than 10 years, I have served on school councils in a variety of roles, working collaboratively with parents, staff, and administrators to support student success. I have also been involved in numerous fundraising initiatives, including the Eden Sausage Pickup fundraiser, which I have supported since my children began attending the school. I value open communication, teamwork, and building strong connections between families and the school, and I look forward to continuing to contribute my experience and

		commitment as a School Council member.
Ashleigh Dixon	My name is Ashleigh Dixon and I am a proud mom of three children. My oldest, John, is currently in Grade 12 at Eden and will be graduating this year. My daughter, Alice, is also graduating this year from Grade 8 at Crossroads and my youngest, Amelia, is in Grade 6 at Crossroads.	I have been a member of the Crossroads Parent Council for 11 years and ran the NOTL Home, Garden & Craft Show for three years. I have also been attending meetings at Eden since John started Grade 9. Since taking over the sausage sales and Cobs Bread Cards last year, I feel that now is a good time to become a voting member. I have several more years with children at Eden and would like to become more involved and contribute to the school community in a meaningful way.