



**THE EWING PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**Lore Elementary School**

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Dear Lore School Community,

As you are most likely aware, there has been considerable discord and controversy among members of the Lore Parents' Association (LPA) this summer. This is unfortunate, as there is a long history of the school and the Lore Parents' Association working together to provide fun and rewarding activities that promote a positive school culture for the students of Lore.

I had the opportunity, along with Assistant Superintendent of Schools Dr. Ishibashi, to attend the Lore Parents' Association meeting on the evening of Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup>. It became clear to us that there is little chance of these issues being settled in a positive and harmonious manner. At this meeting, there was some discussion of shifting the LPA to a PTO, which would allow for greater collaboration between home and school, but this can't be done without the current membership working together to move forward.

Given the events that have transpired over the past months, we feel it is necessary to generate a new start for the parents' association, one that is positive, proactive, and collaborative. To allow for this fresh start, we are going to hold a nomination and election process for all officers of the Executive Board. Any Lore parent/guardian who previously held these positions can absolutely run for these positions again, as can any other Lore parent/guardian.

Information regarding the officer positions, nomination process, and membership requirements to vote is on the reverse side of this letter. To create a fully transparent nomination and election process, I am going to manage and facilitate all steps until a newly elected Executive Board is in place. Please consider running for a position on the Executive Board of the Lore Parents' Association.

As always, I look forward to a positive, productive collaboration with the parents/guardians of Lore School students.

All the Best,  
*Mrs. Kelly Kawalek*

Mrs. Kelly Kawalek  
Principal

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If you would like to nominate a Lore parent/guardian as an Officer in the LPA  
or if you would like to run yourself, return this slip to the Lore School Main Office or  
email [kkawalek@ewingboe.org](mailto:kkawalek@ewingboe.org) by Thursday, September 17, 2019.

Officer/Position	Parent/Guardian's Name	Child's Name and Grade



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Per the Bylaws, the officers of the association shall be a President(s), a Vice-President(s), a Secretary and a Treasurer. Each shall serve a term of two years.

**President(s)** – Shall preside at all meetings of the Executive Board and general membership; serve as the liaison between the school and the LPA; ex-officio of all committees; appoint the chairpersons of all committees; nominating chair

**Vice President(s)** – Ex-officio member of all committees; serve as President in the event of the inability of the President to serve

**Secretary** – Keep minutes and other official reports of the association and all committees; handle all correspondence of the LPA; notify members of all meetings

**Treasurer** – Keep account of all monies received by him/her and deposit the same in the name of the LPA; not pay out any monies of the association except by checks signed by the Treasurer of the President(s); submit a detailed financial report at each general meeting; serve as the chairperson of the Budget and Finance Committee

### **Nominating Process**

If you are interested in serving as an officer for the Lore Parent Association or would like to nominate a Lore parent/guardian, **please send the Nominating Form (side one of this letter) to the Lore School Main Office no later than Tuesday, September 17, 2019.** If you would rather, the form can be emailed to [kkawalek@ewingboe.org](mailto:kkawalek@ewingboe.org).

On Wednesday, September 18, 2019 (five school days prior to elections), the name of all nominees will be posted on the LPA website, which can be accessed from the Lore School website (Lore Elementary School < Parents and Students < Parents Association).

### **LPA Membership Requirements to Vote in Elections**

The first general meeting for the LPA is scheduled for September 25<sup>th</sup>, 7:00PM in the Lore Media Center. I will be in the Media Center from 7:00 – 8:30 PM to allow for anonymous voting for LPA officers.

Article III of the Bylaws state that membership is open to any parent/guardian with children in Lore School. The Bylaws also specify that annual dues of \$2.00 per family be paid at the beginning of the school year. In order to vote for LPA Executive Board members, a parent/guardian is to bring his/her membership dues of \$2.00 to the Media Center, where I will collect the monies. Once a treasurer and secretary are elected, I will provide a list of parents/guardians who paid these dues and will turn over the funds and receipts.