

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FORM Office of Public School Trustee

## APPLICANT INTEREST

Please explain why you feel you should be the successful candidate for the position of Trustee, Wards I, 2 and 3 (maximum 1000 words). Outline your commitment to public education as reflected in your involvement in Greater Essex County District School Board public schools or its committees, including your background, qualifications, interests, experience, and experience that support your candidacy.

As a parent, educator, and dedicated advocate for public education, I have been committed to providing service to the GECDSB. My 20 years of experience as a clinical professor, having conducted research in the area of scholarship of teaching and learning, and being the Director of Experiential Education for Pharmacy Practice prove my commitment to the advancement of education and innovative learning environments. I strongly believe in the importance of education and fostering safe and inclusive learning communities to support our students as the priority. Below is an outline of my qualifications and commitments to the board that support my candidacy for a trustee position.

- 1. Evidence of Commitment to GECDSB: I was a member of GECPIC from 2019 to 2020. During this time, I help to plan the parent engagement event.
- a. I have been on the parent council at Riverside Secondary School (RSS) as the secretary since 2022
- b. I have been the IB parent representative on the RSS parent council since 2022
- c. In September of 2024, I participated in the RSS international baccalaureate review by the IB schools as a parent representative, which received outstanding results.
- 2. Evidence of Commitment to Education: I earned my concurrent bachelors of science and education degrees at the University of Windsor in 2001. I then received my Doctor of Pharmacy degree from Wayne State University (WSU) in 2003 and completed a Pharmacy Practice Residency in Nephrology at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, MI. Since 2004, I have been a professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice at the WSU Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (EACPHS) in Detroit, MI. Currently, I am the Director of Experiential Education (EE) and clinical professor at WSU.
- 3. Evidence of Expertise in Curriculum for Education: As Director of the EE, I oversee the practice experiences that students complete with associate pharmacists at affiliated hospitals. This position is similar to an associate Dean for education who works with associate teachers and placements for

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Name of Applicant Francine Salinitri 4. Evidence of Scholarly Teaching and Learning: I have conducted research in the area of Problem-Based Learning, training teachers, students and organizations how to use problem-based learning in the classroom. I have provided guidance to Tecumseh Vista on how problem-based learning can be used over 7 years again. I have also conducted and published research on the assessment of learning. In addition, I believe that I could be an asset to the trustee team as I have experience conducting research on the well-being of students and providing lectures and workshops on well-being and resilience as a healthcare practitioner and professor. Thank you for considering my application.

Personal information on this form is collected as part of the trustee application process and will be used to assist in the decision-making process to fill the vacancy for the position of Trustee, Ward 3, 4 and 10. The Notice of Application form will be a public document and posted to the Board's website. The Greater Essex County District School Board reserves the right to post the information on the Board's website.