

Melissa Simpson

New board member February 2022

Occupation:

Realtor with Keller Williams Coastal and Lakes & Mountains Realty; MCS Pride PTA President



Family: Husband Dylan and two daughters Clairra, 9, and Jaelynn, 11

Teacher/s who made a difference in YOUR life?

So many, but I am from Presque Isle moved to Southern Maine 15 years ago, and my children have been in Sanford since pre-school.

I joined the CJL PTA when my oldest was in kindergarten and have been Event Chair, Vice President, and now president of the MCWILLARD< MCS PRIDE PTA over the past 3 years.

Why do you serve on the board?

When I first heard about the Legacy Foundation I thought this was the perfect opportunity to make a difference in what our schools here in Sanford have to offer. Knowing the expense of many programs that are not within the school budget and how much work it takes to come up with these funds at a smaller level, I thought this was a perfect fit to bridge that gap. I believe that kids need more opportunity to expand on their interests. I would love to see more after-school programs such as elementary schools plays, art shows and musical concerts, all of which would require additional funding. I also know how often the schools are in need of repairs and replacement of equipment. Some smaller items and others too large for the PTA to take on alone. I am excited and very passionate about the education and opportunities we provide our youth and want to continue to be a part of making their experience one that will have a positive impact for years to come.

What is your favorite things to do in Sanford?

I love to host kids paint parties and gathering in the park.



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