



Matt Nelson

Board member since 2019



Matt and Neile's daughter Anna is a senior at Gorham High School.



Neile Nelson is a high school math teacher and basketball coach.



Matt and Neile's son Thomas is a junior elementary education major at Saint Anselm College.



Occupation:

Superintendent of Schools,
Sanford School Department

Family: Neile is a high school math teacher; Son Thomas is a junior at Saint Anselm College; Daughter Anna is a senior in high school.

Name of a teacher who made a difference in YOUR life?

Mr. Winchenbach, my 9th Grade Geometry teacher: "You need to do your homework, be prepared for class and ready for anything."
Coach Price: "Good things happen to good people who work hard."

Why do you serve on the board?

Education is the most important work there is. Preparing all our students/graduates for an ever-changing world is critical to their future. Sanford is a very supportive community, but we can't rely solely on taxpayers. The Legacy Foundation is able to work to support and provide for our our students in special ways and to ensure they are getting the best educational experience possible.

Favorite thing to do in Sanford?

I enjoy watching our students participate in extra-curricular activities beyond the classroom, whether it is on stage, in the athletic arena or music performances. I also enjoy attending the diverse programming in the Sanford Performing Arts Center.