



WABE International School

Parent Council Candidate Applications

15.09.2022

Thank you to the following parents who have expressed their interest in participating in this year's Parent Council. During the Back-to-School Night, we will hold a formal election to confirm the representatives of each grade level.

- Ideally, both a main representative and an assistant representative would be elected for each grade level.
- In the event that only two candidates have applied to be a representative, the vote will be used to establish the main and assistant roles.
- In the event that only one parent has applied to be the representative of a grade, the procedure will be a simple vote of confidence.

GRADE 1

(One Candidate)

Name: Kai Roddeck

Introduction:

Moin, Servus, Hi, i am Kai, father of 2! Noah (Grade 4) and Reece (Grade 1). I am from Germany, have lived in South Africa and England for several years. I have traveled extensively for work in Europe and the US.

Why are you interested in joining the WIS Parent Council?

I have been part of the Wabe school community since 2019 and a big supporter of the educational model. I am looking forward to support both, parents and the school, to provide our children a fantastic educational journey.



GRADE 2

(Three Candidates)

Name: Denise Hertel

Introduction:

I'm Denise and I am a repatriated German mom who lived abroad in Mexico and Miami. I'm working at a real estate agency. My son Carl just turned 7 and joined the school last school year as a first grader.

Why are you interested in joining the WIS Parent Council?

I love the idea of a strong partnership between parents and school and like to share my experiences from abroad. Building a community and connecting with other people and cultures is what I am passionate about.

Name: Maike Tucharth-Riesbeck

Introduction:

My name is Maike Tucharth-Riesbeck. I live in Pinneberg with my husband and our twins Lasse and Nickels. They have been at the school since last summer and like it very much. I am self employed and in my spare time I work as a supervisor for our football team at VFL Pinneberg.

Why are you interested in joining the WIS Parent Council?

Some of the reasons why I would like to join the parent council are: 1. To know and understand what's happening at school 2. I can voice my opinions and contribute to decisions 3. Build relationships with staff and community.

Name: Michael Weiß

Introduction:

Hello, I am Michael, 53 years old, father of Pia and Lea. Pia is in 2 grade and Lea will arrive in 2023 at WIS. I am on my own business - in general I got to do with all kinds of investing in properties! We are living in Pinneberg 3 minutes away from school.

Why are you interested in joining the WIS Parent Council?

I would like to be a partner for both sides. Helping the parents to get easily in contact with the school and the other parents. And vice versa.



GRADE 3

(Two Candidates)

Name: Lidiya Angelova

Introduction:

I am a 47-year-old microbiologist (PhD in microbiology) and microbiology educator. Unfortunately due the lack of time, I was unable to complete my master's degree in teaching biology and chemistry. My home country is Bulgaria, however I have spent the most of my adult life living abroad. Before moving to Germany, I lived and worked in the United States, Canada, England, and France. My family is happy to be part of the WABE international school family.

Why are you interested in joining the WIS Parent Council?

I am an older parent with international experience, and I believe that my knowledge and communication skills would be helpful to both parents and teachers. For me, talking and listening to each other, and being honest is the way to have meaningful partnerships.

Name: Barbara Ansaldi

Introduction:

Hello I am Barbara, mother of Valentino in 3rd grade. I live in Germany since 10 years and I work as Pharmacist. I like reading, doing sports and traveling.

Why are you interested in joining the WIS Parent Council?

I think it's important an active exchange between school and parents, and take care of both demands.



GRADE 4

(Two Candidates)

Name: Adriana Strehl

Introduction:

My name is Adriana I am Brazilian that live past 15 years in US. We arrived in Hamburg year a go ,and we found this amazing community, WIS, and we being gladly happy since that.

Why are you interested in joining the WIS Parent Council?

Improvement the relationship between the school and parents and provide the best experience for our children.

Name: Elif Sayilir

Introduction:

I'm a mom of three, some of my hobbies are Yoga, puzzles and gardening. I'm here in Hamburg since 8 years and I really like it for me and my kids.

Why are you interested in joining the WIS Parent Council?

To communicate to the parents and the school. To be a positive part of it.



GRADE 5

(One Candidate)

Name: Sherri Andersen

Introduction:

Hello, I am new to the school following my family's recent move from Munich, where we (husband Ole, daughters Emma and Lily) lived for the past 13+ years. Ole is Danish and I am dual Canadian / Dutch but have also lived in the UK, the Netherlands and now, Germany. Both Emma and Lily (now in grades 5 and 8) were born in Munich and attended the European School (ESM) from KG on.

Why are you interested in joining the WIS Parent Council?

It was at the ESM that I toggled (8 years total) between volunteering as an English section parent representative, and acting as overall parent coordinator for different language sections - a positive learning experience which I believe gives me a solid basis on which to grow here at WIS. I am inspired, passionate and consider myself capable to take on the role of Parent Rep for the Council, aiming to put (all of) our children first and thus supporting their school lives by contributing towards collective goals.



GRADE 6

(One Candidate)

Name: Simone Philipp

Introduction:

Hello, my name is Simone Philipp. Our daughter Lina is in the 6th grade. I have been a parent representative since the 1st grade and would be happy to continue the office with passion and commitment. As an event manager, I contribute creativity and organizational skills.

Why are you interested in joining the WIS Parent Council?

As a bridge between the school and the parents, I would like to promote cooperation and dialogue. Support creative projects in their implementation and strengthen the community.



GRADE 7

(One Candidate)

Name: Aswani Suryadevara

Introduction:

Dear all, I am Mom of two boys presently in 3rd and 7th grade, working in Medical sector with an educational background of Masters in Public health from Hamburg University, am living with my Family in Hamburg for 16 years and connected to school from its beginning(2016)

Why are you interested in joining the WIS Parent Council?

Being in Parent council for me is serving as a bridge between parents and school, its a platform where ideas are gathered, non academic social activities among families can be planned, organized, solutions are discussed in a team to serve the best to children along which school concept is imbibed.



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GRADE 9

(Two Candidates)

Name: Helena Carre

Introduction:

I am Ken Carre's mom, we have moved to Germany a month ago and have lived in 4 countries before. I have worked pretty much my whole career in data & tech. I am currently working for Mars and previously worked for Bain & Co. I believe we need to really help make a difference in the education of our children as I see everyday the need of new hard skills and roles that have not existed before. In addition, I also see the need for soft skills to help our children to be 'future proof' such as empathy, curiosity, critical thinking based on reality and facts and not fake news. I hope I am able to contribute with my 2 cents to the school by sharing my observations from the last years.

Why are you interested in joining the WIS Parent Council?

I would like to join the Parent Council as I am concerned with education as a whole as I recruit and work with new graduates everyday in different countries. I have chosen Wabe as I am aligned with the vision of school. Therefore, I would like to contribute wherever I can hence why interest in joining the Parent Council.

Name: Simon Klaus

Introduction:

Being a farther of three daughters, Nicole is the youngest. Working as director key account management South America for Jungheinrich. I worked 18 years abroad in India, Argnetina, South Korea, Chile and Colombia. In those years I had the opportunity to gain intercultural skills. Due to that I can speak English, German and Spanish. All this I consider a good fundament to support you as a parent counsellor and would be happy to gain your trust.

Why are you interested in joining the WIS Parent Council?

I find it important that parents are an active part of the school community and support the schools approach "do school different" for the excellent development of our children.



GRADE 10

(One Candidate)

Name: Jessica Papke

Introduction:

I am a german mother of a boy in the 10th grade. I work as a graphic designer in the city of Hamburg, but our home is just 5 minutes away from the school building

Why are you interested in joining the WIS Parent Council?

I am very interested in new ways of learning and would be pleased to add a creative view to the school's activities.



GRADE 11

(One Candidate)

Name: Paul Hanley

Introduction:

I am the father of Adam and Markus Trepanier who both attend Wabe International School. We are originally from Liverpool in the UK and moved to Wedel/Pinneberg in August 2021.

Why are you interested in joining the WIS Parent Council?

I believe that parents play an important part in the development of any school that their children attend. I have been part of parent/teacher associations at my children's schools back in the UK. This involvement allowed me have a much better understanding of the school works and how I could benefit the school with my areas of experience and expertise.

GRADE 12

(One Candidate)

Name: Tanya Kumst

Introduction:

I have been the parent council for 5 years now. My child is currently in grade 12 and finishing her IB.

Why are you interested in joining the WIS Parent Council?

To inform the parents about important events at the school and to be able to help solving problems.